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'Iron Fist' Policy

By Jonathan C. Randal

JERUSALEM - Israel cracked

down Thursday on the Palestinian

press, detaining five journalists, in-

editor once endorsed as a delegate

The press clampdown came after the deportation in Lebanon on

Wednesday of four Palestinians ac-

cused of inciting the disturbances that since Dec. 9 have opposed Is-

rael's 20-year occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Both moves appeared part of Defense Minister Yitzhak Rahin's

"iron fist" policy designed to re-establish calm in the occupied terri-

tories, which passed a relatively

calm day despite a continuing gen

eral strike in much of the West

Bank and curfews on 13 refugee

camps.

For the first time since Jan. 7.

military sources reported no deaths

The Lebanese police said that

four West Bank Palestinians de-

ported by Israel were handed over

Thursday to a Palestinian guerrilla

faction aligned with Syria. The As-

sociated Press reported,
[At the United Nations in New

York, the Security Council called

on Israel to allow the deported Pal-

estinians in return to their homes in

the West Bank. The resolution was

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Israeli journalists suggested that the aim of the clampdown on the

Palestinian press was to shut off

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Trade Data: U.S. Numbers Game

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The Dollar Still Reigns

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SUITLAND, Maryland -Bureau's squat, white brick headquarters resembles any number of nondescript government buildings the debate among experts, in and that large cropped up in Washing out of government, about the accuracy suburbs to accommodate the racy of this monthly data. While burgain attempts to Cen

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monthly ritual of rumor and specu-The November statistics will be re-

leased Friday morning.
But what is less well publicized is Dur once a month, in an office sus officials for improving the re-

merine, chairman and chief econo-

have become the subject of a ingly intractable U.S. trade deficit. inve for the market or \$16.5 hil-

Instead, they express concern raise questions about the size of the ignored by the financial communideficit in any one month. Moreover, the monthly trade figures are cause some clerk may discover rarely revised, as are other significance numbers in his desk," be said. cani indicators such as gross national product

The margin for error in the monthly delicit, many economists contend, can be as high as \$2 billion, hardly noteworthy given the heavy volume of U.S. trade but prove the quality of the figures," he certainly an uncomfortable range said. "And more will be done." certainly an uncomfortable range in financial markets.

"I forecast \$15.3 hillion for November," said Allen Sinai, chief

lion, which is dangerous."

Don Adams, director of the Census Bureau's foreign trade division and the man in charge of compiling the monthly statistics, admits that there are problems. "We already have taken several steps to to im-

In many ways, the sheer magni-tude of the task makes the system vulnerable, experts say. Every month, customs agents at the 350

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U.S. Resolve on Dollar Stiffens But Analysis See Reserves Swap as a Halfhearted Defense

Economic experts said that the

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offer showed some stiffening of

U.S. resolve to stabilize exchange

rates, but stopped short of a total

commitment to the dollar's de-

fense, "I'm still not sure their

an economist at Phillips & Drew, a

Many private analysts believe that the United States should take

By Juan de Onis

America it is still king.

By Reginald Dale tional Herald Tribune

PARIS — By signaling its readiness to take the unusual step of selling part of its official reserves to Japan, if necessary, the United States has extended its commitment to defend the dollar against a new wave of speculative attack.

Market analysts and monetary officials, however, expressed cau-tion Thursday about the plan unwhich Washington would acquire Japanese yen to support the dellar in exchange for special drawing rights. SDRs are special paperassets held by the United States in .: London brokerage. is account with the International onetary Fund.

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Seoul Identifies

Woman on Jet

SEOUL (AP) - A woman

North Korean agent trained in terrorism, state television re-

The television, KBS, quoted

government sources as saying the woman is Kim Yoon Hee.

27. She disclosed her family

background and that she was

trained in terrorism by North

Korea, the report said. A gov-

ernment statement on the case

is expected Friday.

The woman had traveled on a

false Japanese passport under

the name Mayumi Hachiya. She

has been questioned about the

case since her extradition from

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NEW YORK (Reuters) -

Bahrain on Dec. 16.

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EMPLOYMENT FINANCE DIRECTOR, MEA, TREE

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STORETARIES AVAILABLE The New York Stock Exchange asked its member firms Thurs-day to centail program trading when the Dow Jones average of 30 industrial stocks reaches a high or low of 75 points from the previous day's close.
The NYSE said the request

would go into effect Friday, when the U.S. trade report for November is expected to have a major impact on the market, and continue for the six sessions through Jan. 22.



Ronald Li, former chairman of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, was charged under the colony's Prevention of Bribery ordinance. Page 11.

Iran has received Silkworm missiles through North Korea, U.S. sources say. The collapse of merger talks has thrown Britain's political center

Travel

A memorable trip up Mount Page 7.



The Dollar DM 1.6295

by other nations. Most analysts say

tation from New York to Tokyo, that financial markets are overre-

Like the U.S. money supply data the results, examined over time, are in the early 1980s, the trade figures an acceptable measure of the seem-

Dale Larsen, a senior economist acting each month to calculations for Bank of America in San Franthat are undermined by antiquated cisco, prefers the quarterly figures customs techniques, spotty report- that are published by the Coming and statistical methods that merce Department but are virtually

economist for Boston Co. "But I'm designated ports of entry around

U.S. Official Faults Japan Trade Offer Reagan administration officials the further step of issuing bonds

Compiled by Our Stuff From Disputition Yeuster, President Ronald Rea-Foreign exchange markets paid gan's special trade representative, little attention Thursday to the said Thursday that a proposal by Japan to open its construction mar-Wednesday after President Ronald kets in American companies did not meet U.S. needs and that retal-

was trading little changed, were in- Reagan praised the Japanese prohearts are in it," said Chris Johns, stead worrying over U.S. trade fig-On Wednesday in Washington,

Japanese officials, who want to

that Japan would take steps to reduce its huge trade surplus with the United States. However, he declined to describe specific mea-

only audience at the National Press Club. Mr. Takeshita also portrayed his country as assuming its new role as an international leader.

for trips abroad. Any anomonal foreign currency must be purchased from private dealers at the black market rate, which is usually about 30 percent higher.

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Speaking to a standing-room-

"I intend to make Japan a nation

trade deficit with Japan has been the central economic issue between the two countries. The U.S. con-struction industry is seeking access in the multihillion-dollar Japanese public works market, but U.S. officials claim that Japanese restric-

WASHINGTON - Clayton K. iatory sanctions might be imposed.

Mr. Yeutler's comments in a ra-The markets, where the dollar dio interview came a day after Mr.

Prime Minister Noboru Takeshita of Japan told Mr. Reagan that he would do all be could to resolve the impasse in the construction market

On Thursday in a speech to jour-nalists, Mr. Takeshita promised

contributing more to the world, he sage of condolence to Taiwan on



JOYFUL IRANIAN DISSIDENTS — Members of the families of Iranian hunger strikers

celebrating Thursday near Paris, after the French government announced that 15 Iranians and

Turkish refugees deported to Gabon in December would be allowed to return to France or Spain. France said Thursday that the 15 would be deported again if they violated rules on asylum. Page 5.

By Daniel Southerland Washington Post Serrice

BEIJING - Extending an olive branch to old enemies, the Chinese the mainland and Taiwan; Communist Party leader, Zhao Zivang sent an extraordioary mes Thursday over the death of the island's staunchly anti-Communist

According to the official Xinhua the very Ioundation" of Japan's news agency. Mr. Zhao praised Mr. prosperity.

Chiang for standing for the reunification of Taiwan with the Chinese mainland and for making efforts in relieve tensions between the two

"peaceful reunification" between away of Mr. Chiang Ching-kuo.

ty Central Committee sent a mes- to his relatives." sage of condolence to the Central

Some analysts fear inlighting or a coup in Taiwan following Chiang's death. Page 6.

Committee of the Kuomintang, Taiwan's ruling Nationalist Party. It expressed shock at the death of Beijing's longtime foe, who died

The message from Beijiog read: -We would-like to express our deep Xinhua said the Communist Par- condolences and sincere sympathy

Laurent Rebours/The Associated Pre-

age of Mr. Chiang's life. It devoted two minutes to describing the mes-

sage of condolences and showing been seen on the mainland before.

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ernment was using Palestinian journalists as sounding boards and conduits to shadowy figures now directing the demonstrations and China's national television network opened its program Thursday evening with unprecedented cover-

Among the journalists detained was Hana Siniora, the editor in chief of the daily Al Fajr who in 1985 was approved by Israel, the films from Mr. Chiang's speeches Palestine Liberation Organization and other activities that have never and the United States as a Palestinian delegate to peace talks that

eventually fell through. He was questioned for five hours

The officials said the United

warheads on land-based missiles



The dollar is the currency of the Alexei A. Obukhov, left, the head of the Soviet team at the new Max M. Kampelman, center, the chief of the U.S. delegation, and tourist-industry, in part because round of nuclear weapons reduction talks in Geneva, welcoming Henry F. Cooper to a luncheon on Thursday at the Soviet Mission.

Warhead Limit at Issue As Arms Talks Resume

GENEVA — U.S. and Soviet ducing long-range nuclear arms in arms control negotiators opened a new round of talks on Thursday intended to conclude a treaty to cut wednesday. intercontinental nuclear forces by 50 percent in time for the Moscow States would repeat its proposal for summit meeting planned for later a limit of 3,300 on the number of this year.

The first meeting a luncheon at which the Russians played host took place in a "constructive and "ban on mobile missiles.

But some administration officordial atmosphere," the U.S. cials said they expected American okesman, Terry Shroeder, said.

He said that in the two-and-athese issues in this round and to try spokesman, Terry Shroeder, said. half-hour session both sides dis-cussed "the modalities of how to ing scheduled next month in Mos-The delegations are headed hy Alexei A. Obukhov for the Soviet Union and Max M. Kannan and M

for the United States.

■ U.S. to Stick to Position Michael R. Gordon of The New York Times reported earlier from

The United States will stick to

which officials expect to be held in May or June. Some administration officials say they view the meetings between the foreign ministers as the principal means for resolving Edward L. Rowny, a conservative adviser to President Reagan,

fore a summit meeting between President Ronald Reagan and Mik-

hail S. Gorbachev in Moscow,

said Wednesday that the "chances are not overwhelmingly great" that the two sides could complete a treaty before the summit meeting.

The two sides have worked out the outlines of an agreement reducing long-range arms but still have important differences over the U.S.-proposed ban on mobile missiles, the question of what limits should be placed on land-hased missiles and other matters.

On mobile missiles, some administration officials said several compromise positions had been considered within the administration. The administration is said to have considered proposals that would permit mobile missiles that travel on roads while banning those that travel by rail. An alternative plan would set an overall limit on mo-

On the subject of a limit on war-See ARMS, Page 2

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agent. "We have passengers who are going to Germany and insist on buying dollars, even when they could buy marks at exchange dealers here more cheaply than in Germey changers on the streets. One reason is that there are not

enough marks, yen, francs, guilders

Local currencies are closely

"When the dollar fell 35 percent, there was some interest in European currencies," said a Brazilian money dealer. "But in the southern

"We see some increased interest now in European currencies by smart investors, but it will take time to change the market." loric at times. The currency still has

like the cruzado," goes a slogan painted on some truck bumpers in Brazil. On a wall in central Rio de Janeiro, an anonymous muralist has painted a huge dollar sign, surrounded by prostrated human fig-

"The dollar's continuing strength is partly psychological and partly lack of information," said Berto Hedler, a Brazilian travel about 30 percent higher.

to foreign tourists. Dollars can be traded for cruzados through a hotel doorman or clerk, who usually take a profit for themselves, or from

Major money traders set the black market exchange rates, working out of inconspicuous offices. Although the trading is illegal, it is See DOLLAR, Page 2

and pounds circulating in South America to meet market needs. Another is that the continent historically is a "dollar area," and there has been no shift toward a stronger

linked, hy official exchange rates or hlack market trading to the U.S. currency. As the dollar falls or rises, such currencies as the Brazilian cruzado and the Peruvian sol follow.

cone of South America, the dollar is the starting point for all currency Another money dealer agreed.

The dollar is a habit," he said.

The dollar's strength seems folkmagic. It is praised in popular sayings and symbolizes specula-"I go up like the dollar and down

By Michael Specter

Washington Post Service
WASHINGTON — Challenging one of the more

popular notions of modern health care, researchers

say they have found evidence that men with hard-

driving "Type A" personalities are almost twice as

likely to survive heart disease as those who are less

The study also questions the theory that Type A

behavior leads to a higher risk of heart disease, a theory that has led millions of Americans to change

"The results really summed us," said Dr. David R.

Ragland, an epidemiologist at the University of California at Berkeley. "Changing Type A behavior may prove to have no beneficial effect, and there is

The study, which appears in Thursday's issue of

The New England Journal of Medicine, is certain to

some evidence that it will even be harmful."

Aggressive Men Cope Best With Heart Disease, Study Finds

that describes the Type A personality. In contrast, "Type B" personalities are described more often as patient and secure, rarely letting minor problems upset them. Dr. Ragland and Dr. Richard J. Brand studied 257 men of both personality types who were identified as

having heart disease. Over a 13-year period, the Type

A men were only 58 percent as likely as the others to die from heart disease. Previous studies have suggested that behavior modification programs among Type A meu who had suffered heart attacks would cut their risk of a second attack in half.

But the definition and importance of Type A behavior, and the relationship between personality and heart disease, have been disputed for more than 30 years. Many experts now say there is a complicated relationship, but they are not certain that rules can apply to groups of people.

Dr. Ragland said, "It might be that what is good

add fuel to the continuing debate over the health for one person is disastrous for another when it effects of the competitive and aggressive behavior comes to heart disease."

His study found that in the short term, Type A tors often disagree on how to measure Type A, how and Type B patients died of heart disease at the same rate. Among the 231 cases who survived for at least In an editorial also published in Thursday's New rate. Among the 231 cases who survived for at least 24 hours, however, the mortality rate for the 160 Type A men was far lower than for the 71 Type B

The authors cite as one possible explanation that Type A survivors may respond more forcefully to heart disease. They may be better at changing their diets and habits. And because Type A people are often considered leaders, they might have had a better ability to take charge of their medical situa-In the past, those who believe in Type A theories

suggested that the feelings of hostility and aggression harbored by Type A personalities led to the extra secretion of certain hormones. That, in turn, causes unacceptable increases in blood pressure and heart rate that can lead to coronary heart disease. Recently, however, research has challenged the traditional wisdom that Type A behavior would lead a person to an increased risk of heart disease. Doc-

England Journal, Dr. Joel E. Dimsdale writes that the new research "presents such a startling conclusion that it is appropriate to reassess the legacy of

studies on Type A behavior."
Although previous data from the Western Collaborative Group Study, which followed 3,154 healthy men for eight and a half years, provided support for the view that Type A men were at increased risk for heart disease, Dr. Dimsdale wrote that the current information "casts a long shadow indeed" over the

entire theory. But Dr. Meyer W. Friedman, who wrote the original research on Type A behavior and remains one of its most forceful believers, called the new research flawed. "They did not classify the people properly." he said. "We have found very clearly that Type A behavior causes heart disease and that those who

modify it are at reduced risk for heart attacks."

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North Korea **Sent Missiles** To Tehran

By Molly Moore Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON - A shipment of Chinese-made Silkworm missiles from North Korea is believed to have arrived Monday at an Iranian port, according to Reagan adminis-

tration sources. About half a dozen missiles and a launcher were spotted on the dock of a North Korean port where the Iranian merchant ship Iran Bayan was loading two weeks ago, according to intelligence reports.

When the ship sailed, the missiles and equipment were no longer on the wharf, indicating that they had been loaded on the ship, the

[China denied Thursday that it had sent Silkworm missiles to Iran, Reuters reported from Beijing. The Foreign Ministry announced, "We have already taken strict measures very early to prevent the flow of Chinese missiles into Iran through the international market."]

U.S. intelligence sources moni-tored the ship as it sailed from North Korea into Bandar Abbas. the Iranian port, sources said. U.S. officials reported two weeks

ago that they believed that China was sending Iran more Silkworm missiles or a newer, more deadly cruise missile that could be used in escalating the "tanker war" with lraq in the Gulf.

Intelligence sources spotted crates of the new missiles on docks in North Korea but lost track of that shipment, the officials said. Defense Department officials said Wednesday that they did not be-lieve those missiles were part of the shipment received Monday.

Silkworm missiles bave been considered a major threat to ship-ping in the Gulf, where the U.S. Navy has been escorting Americanflagged Kuwaiti tankers since July.

An Iranian Silkworm attack on an American-flagged ship in a Ku-waiti harbor prompted U.S. retalia-tion last October in which the navy destroyed Iranian platforms used in the Gulf for military operations, U.S. officials bave criticized Chi-

na harshly for selling Silkworm missiles and other anti-ship weapons to Iran and decided late last year to delay transfers of high-technology items to China unless it stopped such shipments.

China is Iran's largest weapons

supplier and is believed to have sold Iran about 100 Silkworms in recent years, U.S. sources say. China also is a major supplier for Iraq. which bas been at war with Iran since September 1980.

Iran has launched several Silkworms against Iraqi land targets and hit two ships in Kuwaiti waters. Kuwait is an ally of Iraq.

Iran Ship Fires on Tanker An Iranian warship pumped rocket-propelled grenades and machine-gun fire into a Dutch tanker, injuring two seamen and damaging the crew quarters. The Associated Press reported from Manama, Bah-

The 35,731-ton Petrobulk Pioneer was hit just outside Dubai's territorial waters at 4:55 A.M. and it later anchored near the port, where the injured men were taken to a bospital, witnesses and ship-

ping executives reported.

The attack caused a minor fire on the ship, owned by Naess Ship-ping Holland BV, said shipping ex-ecutives, who spoke on condition of anonymity. They said the 24man crew extinguished the flames.

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television and published in news-

identified estimated that \$25 mil-

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U.S. Believes Bonn Shuts Nuclear Plant Over Waste Shipments Reuters ed 2.438 barrels of falsely labeled contacts with the Mol nuclear pro- by covering up illegal operations by hold power in Bonn as well as Hespan and Several other states, back the second a nuclear pro- by covering up illegal operations by hold power in Bonn as well as Hespan and Several other states, back the

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bombs to Libya and Pakistan. Federal Environment Minister Klaus Toepfer said that the Nukem GmbH nuclear fuel processing facility in Hanau was ordered closed because of evidence it had covered up the transportation of more than pected of having provided nuclear 2,000 barrels of highly toxic waste

by a subsidiary. The subsidiary, Transnoklear GmbH, lost its license to ship nuclear waste on Dec. 17 after investigators found that it bad transport-

The waste included 321 barrels of plutonium, used in the making of atomic bombs. Transnuklear is accused of systernatically bribing safety inspec-

tors to enable it to ship the waste. Government sources in the state of Hesse, where the Nukem facility is situated, said that the nuclear processor in Mol, Belgium, that handled Nukem's waste was sus-

materials to Libya and Pakistan. The sources said the material alleged to have been sold by the Bel- transport and processing of radiogian company was suited to the production of nuclear weapons.

ment source said.

agency, is investigating suspected ment. nuclear shipments to Pakistan and Libya through Switzerland, the one of several major nuclear fuel

kistan may be pursuing a secret ply centers for atomic energy. program to build nuclear bombs with plutonium and other materials appeared intended in part to shore obtained abroad. Pakistan has de-

complex was being ordered to sus-pend operations immediately due since the April 1986 Chernobyl nuto evidence of "irregularities in the clear accident in the Soviet Union. active waste.

"Transnuklear had very close had violated its operating license The Christian Democrats, who

In Hanau, Nukem officials were Interpol, the international police not immediately available for com-

The Nukem complex in Hanau is manufacturers in a town that is one Western officials believe that Pa- of the West's most important sup-Bonn's action against Nukem

up flagging public confidence in West Germany's large nuclear Mr. Toepfer said that the Nukem power industry. Public opinion sur-West Germany has 21 nuclear

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He said it appeared that Nukem third of the nation's electricity.

closed. Assertions by the Greens party that Nukem and another Hanau nuclear fuel producer, Alkem GmbH, were running unsafe operations and should be closed dominated the Hesse state election campaign in 1987.

■ Chernobyl Cost Is Revised The Soviet Politburo disclosed Thursday that the accident at the Parliament. Chernobyl nuclear power station reported earlier. The Associated Press reported from Moscow.

U.S. Faults Pakistan in **Export Case**

By David K. Shipler Ven York Time Service WASHINGTON — The State Department has concluded that the

Pakistani government was probably involved in a plot by a Paki-stani-born businessman to smuggle material for nuclear weapons out of the United States, according to U.S. officials.

But the department, in a memorandum to President Ronald Reagan, also recommended that the president issue a waiver of a law that would require a cutoff in aid to Pakistan, Reagan administration and congressional officials said Wednesday.

As a result, there will be no sanctions against Pakistan, whose cooperation is deemed essential in providing bases and conveying military supplies to guerrillas fight-

ing Soviet troops in Afghanistan. The decision would clear the way for the payment of \$480 million in U.S. military and economic assistance to Pakistan this fiscal year. U.S. officials were in Pakistan earlier this week to discuss the details of the aid package, including a Pa-kistani request for several AWACS radar planes.

Congress approved the first portion of a new six-year, \$4 billion aid ackage for Pakistan after a long debate over whether and how the United States should use its influof the road members of the Pales- a quiet visit to the Dehaishe refugee ence to head off a Pakistani-Indian nuclear arms race.

The State Department spokesman. Charles E. Redman, said Thursday that the administration had made "no final decision" on Ohaith, former editor of Al Fajr. cent.

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The later met with visit refers for a mad made "no final decision" on the waiver issue. The Washington protecting civilians under military pointment" over the expulsions. ernment was probably connected to the nuclear smuggling activities.]
The nuclear case involved Ar-

shad Z. Pervez, a Canadian businessman born in Pakistan, who was convicted in Philadelphia in December of trying to purchase and send to Pakistan 25 tons of a spestead as the Kuomintang chairman, cial steel alloy that can be used in Kuomintang officials. mean- plants that make enriched pranium

than psychological warfare, or a with Mr. Pervez. But an adminis-United Front tactic, aimed at lur- tration official said the State Deing the nationalists into negotiation partment had determined that there was "an adequate body of The Communists bave said free evidence and activity that estabquently that they would like to re- lishes that the government of Paki-

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accept reunification under a "one The Reagan administration, decountry, two systems model. Tai-wan could keep its administration supplies to the Afghan guerrillas, and armed forces, Beijing says. bas tried to avoid any actions that But the Kuomintang has adopt- would anger the Pakistani governed the "three no's" position of no ment. This explains the State Decontact, no compromise and no ne- partment's recommendation not to cut off aid.

practice, adding: They never for-get United Front tactics."

phen J. Solarz. Democrat of New York, that requires a halt in aid to a "On the one hand," Mr. Tai con-tinued, "they show sympathy and, gling. But the statute also permits on the other, they attempt to isolate the president to waive the cutoff in us internationally or threaten to the interests of national security.

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Mr. Yeutter said that Japan's proposal did not make clear wheth-

wan lifted a ban against travel to
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our own judgment whether retaliatory action will be needed to

U.S. agents arrested Sergeant and are increasingly doing so. They (AP, UPI)

EC Warns on Proposal

The European Community will not accept any U.S.-Japan agreement that allows only American companies to enter the Japanese construction market, the ambassador of the 12-nation group said Thursday in Tokyo, The Associated Press reported.

"Special deals being made behind closed doors and curtains are not easy for Europeans to accept." Ambassador Andries van Agt said.

Extremists Attack Botha Party Rally

WORLD BRIEFS

JOHANNESBURG (Reuters) - White against white violence in continued use of nuclear energy.

The Social Democrats and Greens broken in South Africa, with neo-fascists disrupting a pally of the want all nuclear power plants governing National Party as the country enters a series of elections in which far-right proponents of apartheid are seeking greater power.

Tear gas and stink bombs were thrown Wednesday might make held a

Standerson, southeast of Johannesburg, after fighting broke our between National Party supporters and members of the white supremacing Africa. net Resistance Movement. About 200 members of the movement with a

The movement supports the Conservative Party in a March 2 decide for a parliamentary seat in Standerton. The Conservatives, who opposite the limited apartheon reforms introduced by President Pieter W. Rolling and the limited apartheon of the limited apartheon o won 23 seats in 1987. Political commentators say they may strengthen their base in municipal elections and in special elections for three seasons.

cost the equivalent of almost \$14 billion, or four times what had been Japanese Named to World Health Joh

GENEVA (AP) — Dr. Hiroshi Nakajima of Japan, a specials in psychopharmacology who joined the World Health Organization in 1975 was named Thursday to succeed Dr. Halfdan Mahler of Dentant a director-general of the United Nations agency.

The nomination was made at a private session of the organization is in the province of the organization in the province of the organization is in the province of the organization.

member Executive Board and announced later. It is subject to appears by the 166 member nations at the World Health Conference in Man when Dr. Mahler, 62, will complete his third five-year term. He day when Dr. Mahler, 62, will complete his third five-year term. He day seek another term. Confirmation of Dr. Nakajima is considered a virgin

Dr. Nakajima, 59, has headed the organization's Regional Office to the Western Pacific in Manila since 1979. His other posts with the agency included chief of the drug policies division. He would be the fire Japanese to bead a UN agency.

Bork Resigns From Federal Bench

WASHINGTON (AP) — Robert H. Bork has resigned as 2.05 appellate court judge, telling President Ronald Reagan he wants to "publicly respond" to the allegations that doomed his nomination to the Supreme Court, the White House announced. Supreme Court, the White House announced.

Judge Bork's letter of resignation, dated Jan. 7, was released Thanking.

In a letter accepting the 60-year-old jurist's request to leave the US.

Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia, Mr. Resean said. The

unprecedented political attack upon you which resulted in the regionals. Senate action was a tragedy for our country."

The Senate on Oct. 3 rejected Judge Bork's nomination to the Supremental by a 58-42 vote, culminating a tumultuous confirmation process.

Oslo and Moscow Talks Stalemater

OSLO (Reuters) - Prime Minister Gro Harlem Brundsland of No. way said that talks Thursday with the Soviet Union aimed at reading 13-year-old territorial dispute in the Barents Sea had not reading

progress.

Mrs. Brundtland said after two hours of discussions with National Control of the Cont Ryzhkov, the Soviet prime minister, that Soviet proposals had talk and advance earlier ones rejected by Norway. Mr. Ryzhkov settled a south dispute with Sweden earlier this week.

The Barents Sea, north of Norway, is home waters to the Union's northern naval fleet and is believed to have rich oil deposite.

Brundtland said: "An unresolved question of this importance will also the potential for increased cooperation" between Norway and the Sure Union. "We must make progress on this issue," she said. "It is the important outstanding question between our countries."

Moscow Backtracks on U.S. Adviser

MOSCOW (Combined Dispatches) - A Soviet spokesman said Thursday that Moscow had no information about an American military dviser who was reported by Tass to have been killed in Afghanistan.
In a report issued on Dec. 28, the Soviet press agency said that "at least

one American adviser" had died in fighting around the Afghan town of Khost. The U.S. State Department denied the report. On Thursday, Gennadi I. Gerasimov, the Foreign Ministry spokesman, said: "We do not have any data about that person. We do not have any information. checked this out."

In another development, Moslem rebels said Thursday that they had killed one of Afghanistan's highest-ranking military officers, General Imamuddin, during a recent three-week Soviet and Afghan government offensive. The offensive was aimed at lifting a guerrilla siege around Khost. The report could not be confirmed.

U.S. Weekly Closes Singapore Office

month as part of an austerity measure, a magazine spokesman said Thursday.

It is the second foreign journal to announce the closure of its Singaport office in the past week. The Economist, a British weekly said last weekend it would move its bureau in Singapore to Hong Kong because the British colony was "a better listening post for Asia." Both magazines said the closures of their one-man offices in Singapore were not continued. ed with the government's decision last month to restrict the weekly sales.

TRAVEL UPDATE

The agency suspended the Paris route on Dec. 18 after Brymon complained that there was no proper control over the southeast English coast, where three near-collisions were reported in the first weeks after the airport opened Oct. 26. An inquiry panel was set up to look into the

Flights were normal in Spain on Thursday as pilots for the arrine Iberia called off a 24-hour strike after management agreed to discuss complaints about working hours, an airline spokesman said. (Reuters)

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Two Palestinian women fleeing for cover on Thursday as an Israeli patrol moved through the Balata refugee camp on the West Bank.

ISRAEL: Clampdown on Arab Press Is Seen as Part of 'Iron Fist' Policy

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owner of the Palestine Press Service, which disseminates news about the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip, and Ghassan Ayoub, a spokesman of the Palestinian Hotel Workers Union.

Still in custody facing more serious charges of belonging to the Zakaria al-Agha, chairman of the outlawed PLO were Mohammed Medical Association; Fayez Abu Zahaika, who worked for Al Fajr; Rahmeh, chairman of the Gaza Bar Salah Zuhaika, deputy editor of the Association, and Dr. Abdel Shafi, daily Asb-Sha'ab and Abdul Latis head of the Palestinian Red Cres-

of Shin Bet, the domestic intelli- at a news conference in an East occupation, release prisoners armises in a shambles, according to Meanwhile, in Gaza, the authori-

ties detained three prominent personalities for most of the day before releasing them. They were Dr. Medical Association; Fayez Abu

communiqué was published calling of Palestinian refugee camps, stop for removing restrictions on political contacts with the PLO. The occasion also marked the

first time that major, older, middletinian establishment had succeeded in overcoming differences to act in ence of Israeli troops at camps he concert backing standard PLO de-

of missiles due to be destroyed.

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Jerusalem botel at which a 14-point rested since Dec. 9, lift the "siege" of Palestinian refusee cames store land confiscation and cancel vari-

Meanwhile, Marrack Goulding. a UN undersecretary-general, paid camp south of Jerusalem. The pressought to visit in Gaza earlier had touched off violent protests.

He later met with Mr. Peres for a

ARMS: Geneva Talks Resume With Summit Deadline CHINA:

of 3,300. Soviet officials reportedly told lowed. U.S. experts during the summit meeting in Washington in Decem-ber that Moscow's plans did not call for building a force that would exceed this limit in any event. The Soviet Union has said that it will agree to such a formal limit if the United States will accept a similar limit on submarine missiles, a position that the Reagan administra-

tion says is unacceptable. The instructions to the U.S. ne-

mately drop its demand for a limit six warheads, and mobile land-

There are still other difficult is-sues to be resolved.

The two sides need to agree on "counting rules" that would determine bow many nuclear air-launched cruise missiles should be attributed to different types of

over the definition of what airlaunched cruise missiles should be

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heads on land-based missiles, some administration officials say they believe the United States will ulti
gotiators did not repeat an earlier U.S. demand for a limit of 1,650 on administration officials say they believe the United States will ulti
land-based missiles with more than 1,000 miles (1,600 kilometers)

Washington, the United States proposed that air-launched cruise missiles that have a range of less than 1,000 miles (1,600 kilometers)

Condolences Sent

(Continued from Page 1) should not be covered by the pact, a definition that administration officials was intended to protect the

bombers. In addition, the two sides differ

covered. At the summit meeting in

based missiles, should they be al-U.S. option to develop conventionally armed cruise missiles.

Soviets Fault U.S. Photos The Soviet Union said Thursday that there were problems with U.S. photographs of missiles due to be

DOLLAR: King in Latin America The Cruzado's **Black Market Rate** Against the Dollar_

a tax-free gain. some of the dollars in the country come from gold smugglers and co-caine traffickers from Bolivia, Co-transfers abroad that are not offimbia and Peru.

Raies change daily, responding cially recorded. Shipping companies are important buyers. So are to demand and movements in the holders of cruzados who want to official rate. There are almost daily make payments or deposits abroad "microdevaluations" of the official but do not want to wait for the licenses required to exchange such

In Brazil, if interest rates lag bedollars as a hedge against inflation.

THOMPSONTOWN, Pennsylvania — Two Conrail freight trains Black market dealers are in close collided head-on Thursday on a ru- contact with banks and corresponral stretch of track, killing two crew dents abroad, but they rarely enmembers, injuring two others and gage in currency speculation. Their leaving two more unaccounted for, business code stipulates that rate officials said. Five locomotives - competition should be avoided and two on one train and three on the that their market quotations move in an orderly fashion.

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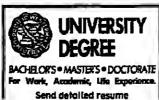
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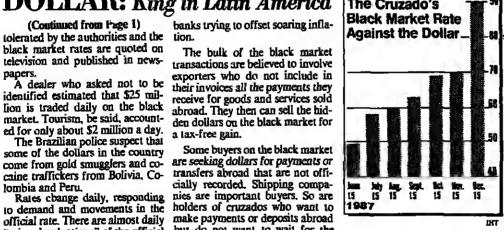
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hind rising prices, companies with cruzados on hand may make short-term investments in black market connecting sections or destabilizing a finance minister. Before he resigned last month as the Brazilian finance minister, Luiz

> The black market dollar rate Army sergeant was arrested on then rose from 70 cruzados on Nov. Thursday and charged with at-15 to 90 cruzados on Dec. 15. In tempted spying for the Soviet

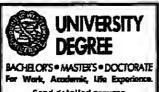




The black market rate is viewed by many people as the real measure of the local currencies. A big jump

Carlos Bresser Pereira met with the major black market dealers, appealing for restraint in their rate increases. They complied until the release of November figures showing a 17-percent rise in the cost of

June, when Mr. Bresser Pereira an- Union, the Federal Bureau of Innounced an economic stabilization plan, the rate was 50 cruzados. The rate is now 92 cruzados.



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while dismissed China's message for nuclear weapons. of condolence as nothing more Pakistan has denied involvement with the Communists.

create the spirit of the United stan was responsible for these ac-front of the 1930s, when the Kuo- tivities." scrapped under terms of the intermintang and Communist Party The United States has shown mediate nuclear forces treaty united against the Japanese. signed in Washington last month, Reuters reported from Moscow. China has proposed that Taiwan stan on the nuclear issue.

"The United States was very bad at taking pictures," the Foreign Ministry spokesman, Gennadi L Gerasimov, said at a news conference. He was referring to pictures

The United States and the Soviet gottations Raymond R.M. Tai, a spokes-man for the Kuomintang's Central memorandum to the White House Union agreed to exchange photographs and other data about weap-Committee, said that Beijing's mes-sage of condolence is "their normal sponsored by Representative Steons covered by the treaty eliminating their medium- and shorter-range nuclear missiles. Washington said Wednesday

plain wby a Soviet photograph of a shorter-range SS-23 missile due to be destroyed under the treaty take us over militarily. showed the weapons as shorter than Soviet data had suggested. Chinese foreign affairs specialists in Beijing say that the Communists would rather deal with a Mr. Gerasimov said Soviet offi-cials had told the United States on strong leader such as Mr. Chiang, Thursday that the Soviet missile who held undisputed power, than was photographed without a "connecting compartment" that con-

nects the front section to the hull He said the section had been left eign affairs college in Beijing. Now no one person has absolute tion belonged to the warhead or the

"Now no one person has absolute power in Taiwan."

Beijing's assessment is that Mr. Lee has little real power and will be have to act with great caution when it comes to sensitive issues such as reunification with the mainland.

Under Mr. Chiang, Taiwan took a few tentative steps that appeared to point toward a larger opening to the mainland. In November, Taiwan lifted a han against travel to WASHINGTON - A U.S.

to visit relatives. Many Taiwan businessmen are achieve that objective."

eager to trade with the mainland, Mr. Takeshita leaves the United Daniel Richardson, 42, an instruc- are attracted by cheaper labor tor in the tank turret division at the costs. But lew of them seem to be Aberdeen Proving Grounds in interested in a political accommodation with the mainland.

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SINGAPORE (Reuters) - U.S. News and World Report, an Ameri-

of the Far Eastern Economic Review.

The government slashed the Review's sales to 500 copies from 9,000 copies for publishing what it called "distorted and mischievous articles that it said were "calculated to discredit and denigrate the Singapore

London City-Paris Flights to Resume

LONDON (Reuters) — Return flights to Paris from London's new
City Airport, suspended a month ago over fears about insufficient maffic
control, will resume Wednesday, the Civil Aviation Authority said.

Officials said Thursday that Brymon Airways and Eurocity Express,
the two sirlines operating to Paris, had agreed to use an alternative at the two airlines operating to Paris, had agreed to use an alternative air corridor where full radar cover could be provided.

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Diplomats said Costa Rica came under sharp criticism from Nicaras on U.S. Advis

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dent Oscar Arias Sinchez has warned hoft the Nicaraguan nebels and the Sandinist government to stop their slide toward an escalated. valuating the peace plan. The Costa Rican delegation was obliged to lobby hard to remove criticism of Costa Rica from the commission's final report, the dip-

Sandinists and Foes

Both Sides Are Told to Curb Conflict

Warned by Arias

By William Branigan

conflict or risk seeing a mileli her-alded Central American peace ac-

cord-fail.

The warnings were in letters seat Tuesday and Wednesday to three leaders of the anti-Sandmist rebels

and to President Daniel Ortega

Surveiles of Nicaragita;
Mr. Arias first sold three Nicara-

guan rebel leading fiving in Costa Rica to give up their armed struggle against the Sandinist government

Then, in a letter sent to Mr. Oste-

ga, Mr. Arias called for greater "de-

mocratization" in Nicaragua and

condemned the Sandinist govern-ment's plans for a military buildup, its failure so far to lift a state of

emergency decree and its contin-

ued detention of paisoners who, Mr. Arias said, should benefit from

reconciliation under the peace

Expressing his worries about

assuring the success of the Central

American peace plan" in view of a summit meeting Friday, Mr. Arias

noted that cease-fire talks have

Cesar and Pedro Joaquin Chamorro, three of the six directors of

the Nicaraguan Resistance, the re-

The letters were delivered three days before Mr. Arias is to be the

fate of a regional peace plan signed

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bel political alliance.

or move out of the country.

ashington Post Service SAN JOSE, Costa Rica -- Presi-

> "The neutrality of Costa Rica and the sacred commitment of our people to peace cannot be mocked by anyone," Mr. Arias said in the letter. "If you want to continue enjoying Costa Rican hospitality, you must desist from supporting the armed way. If not, I ask you to leave the country as soon as possi-

The letter added, however, that once the rebel leaders leave the country, Costa Rica would be available as a venue for peace nego-nations in which rebel officials could participate. Mr. Arias said that "it harts me" to expel the contra leaders, with whom he said he had developed friendships over the

Mr. Cesar, asked about the letter as he returned to Costa Rica on a flight from Guatemala, said. "I guess we start packing our bags."



CAMPAIGNING IN HAITI — Supporters of Leslie Manigat, a candidate in the Jan. 17 presidential elections, hanging up posters Thursday on a street in Port-au-Prince, the capital. An election on Nov. 29 was called off shortly after the polls opened because of widespread violence in which at least 34 people died.

Bush Amplifies on Role in Iran Affair

By David Hoffman Washington Post Service

FORT DODGE, Iowa - Vice President George Bush has asserted for the first time that, in the presence of others, he voiced reservations about the secret Iran arms sales that went beyond his previously stated concerns about the role of Israel in the covert opera-

Mr. Bush said: "I also had the concerns that I have when any covert action is undertaken - how will it be interpreted if the cover is blown? Will lives be lost? Will our credibility be damaged? Unfortu-nately, my reservations turned out to be well-founded."

The vice president's comments came in written responses delivered Wednesday to 17 questions posed by Mary McGrory, a Washington Post columnist, in her column Tuesday. Pressed by his rivals for a public exposure of the arms sale, my views, again in large part be-

By Bill Peterson

FORT DODGE, Iowa - A few

the hottest ticket in the Iowa Dem-

ocratic presidential campaign.
But during the weeks since Gary

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fuller explanation of his role in the for example, came in testimony affair, Mr. Bush has been taking a from the former White House chief to questions about it.

Mr. Bush's newly revealed reservations were not mentioned in the reports of the Tower commission or in the report of the congressional committees that investigated the Iran-contra scandal. Under questioning by reporters for months, he has not previously spoken of these

In his written comments, Mr. Bush, who has been campaigning in lowa for next month's precinct cancuses, did not say when he voiced the reservations or who heard them. Mr. Bush again vowed Wednesday not to disclose his advice to Mr. Reagan but said the additional reservations were made in a "setting with others present." Up to now, the only mention of how to deal with the problems of

Hart Steals Simon's Iowa Thunder

Illinois Democrat Suddenly Is No Longer Front-Runner

more aggressive tack in responding of staff, Donald T. Regan. He told the Tower commission that none of President Ronald Reagan's advisers "teed up for him of what the

downside risk would be here." The vice president said for the first time that records show he "probably" was a participant in the Mr. Reagan and other senior cabinet officials who raised objections to the arms sales, including Secretary of State George P. Shultz and then-Secretary of Defense Caspar

W. Weinberger. However, Mr. Bush said, "f do not recall any strenuous objection. Had there been any strenuous objection. I am sure I would have remembered it." The vice president said he did not ask Mr. Shultz or Mr. Weinberger for their views. "Nor do I recall their soliciting

sharing views had not been invoked," Mr. Bush said. NSC refers to the National Security Council.

The vice president noted that he was absent from several meetings in 1985 on the Iran arms sales. including one on Dec. 7 in the White House residence when "objections were apparently forcefully stated" by others. Mr. Bush was on his way to the Army-Navy football

reported that Mr. Bush had watched the secret Iran arms deals unfold, in part through his attendance at morning national security briefings with the president. Mr. Bush responded by saying the meetings were not detailed, just brief updates on the hostages'

Mr. Bush was asked how he reconciled his stated concern for the Americans held hostage in Lebanon with his claim that the weapons shipments were not part of a trade to free them

"I have stated over and over again that the original proposal was not presented as an arms-forhostages swap," he said. He added that "all during the discussions" he was "terribly concerned about getting the hostages out and about the torture of the man that I knew to be a CIA station chief," a reference to William Buckley, the CIA station chief in Beirut, who was tortured and is believed to have been mur-

Class of 1991 Wants Money Most of All

By Deirdre Carmody

failed in the region.

The letter to Mr. Ortega appeared to be designed at least partly to balance the letters sent to Alfonso Robelo Callejas, Alfredo New York Times Service NEW YORK - A record proportion of more than three-quarters of first-year college students surveyed around the country feel that being financially well off is an "essential" or "very important" host at a meeting of five Central esset.

American presidents to discuss the goal.

At the same time, the lowest proportion of freshmen in 20 years, only 39 percent, put great emphasis on developing a meaningful philos-

Also, the number of freshmen decision to attend college was "to new high of 71 percent. Business continues to be the preferred career. A record 25 percent of the students named it as their first

"Despite Newsweek's announcement that greed is dead, our data lack of interest in these fields was JAKARTA - Italy has agreed show that it is alive and well," said to provide a \$71 million loan to Alexander W. Astin, the director of Indonesia for the construction of a the 22d annual survey of entering

search Institute at the University of who think marijuana should be le-California at Los Angeles. The galized. findings were drawn from questionnaires completed in the fall by 209,627 freshmen at 390 two- and four-year institutions.

The trend of materialism has been on the rise in the survey's one exception is an increased inter-time. est in teaching as a career, a finding that took researchers by surprise.

Last fall, 8.1 percent of the freshmen said they planned to pursue careers as elementary or secondary saying that a key reason for their school teachers, up from 7.3 percent the previous year and well up make more money" has reached a from the low point of 4.7 percent in

> Other points that emerged from the survey were: · A sharp decline in interest in

computing, engineering, technological and nursing careers. The expressed by men and women • An increase in liberal attitudes

110-megawatt geothermal power freshmen. on many social issues, with two station at Gunning Salak, West. The survey was conducted by the Java, an official here said Thurs. American Council on Education laws prohibiting homosexual relative, and by the Higher Education Returns and account in the number laws. The survey was conducted by the exceptions: a rise in support for life being dependent on affluence of the road. I alway an official here said Thurs. American Council on Education Returns and account in the number laws. The survey was conducted by the exceptions: a rise in support for laws prohibiting homosexual relative, and are not inclined to be reflective, "Mr. Astin said. "Our data such."

 Despite widespread publicity about AIDS, an increase to a record 52 percent in freshmen who gree that if two people genuinely like each other it is fine for them to have sexual relations, even if they results since the early 1970s. The have known each other only a short

> A decline in cigarette smoking.
> Nine percent said they smoked cigarettes, down one percentage point from the year before. Of the women, 10.4 percent smoke, compared with 7.3 percent of men.

Mr. Astin said the question about the importance of developing a meaningful philosophy of life was introduced in 1967, after students asked that a question about values be included. That year, 83 percent thought that developing a meaningful philosophy of life was an essential or very important goal. The percentage has dropped in all but two years since, to a low of

39 percent in the latest survey.

confirm the decline in interest in existential questions."

Being well off financially was identified as a key goal by a record 76 percent of freshmen, up from 73 percent the previous year and near-ly double the level of 39 percent in

Top priorities among freshmen include "being an authority in my chosen field," chosen by 77 percent, and "having administrative responsibility for the work of others," selected by 45 percent.

Support among freshmen for laws prohibiting homosexual relations increased to 53 percent, from 52 percent the previous year. Mr. Astin believes that this reflects growing concern about acquired mmune deficiency syndrome.

The proportion who identify themselves as conservative was 18 percent. This has changed little over the last five years. Twenty-two percent described themselves as liberal. This proportion has been rising slowly. By far the largest and Students still tend to see their fastest-growing category is middle life being dependent on affluence of the road. In the latest survey, 56 and are not inclined to be reflec- percent described themselves as

that goes with being the Iowa front- they think Mr. Hart is a blessing in "There's no question it has tem-

weeks ago, Senator Paul Simon was porarily hurt me in Iowa," Mr. Simon said. "All of a sudden, I moved into the No. 2 position. My instinct is that it is a temporary thing, but it has slowed us down." Just how much Mr. Simon has slowed is debatable. He remains

Hart's re-entry into the race, the Illinois senator has lost the cachet the candidate to beat in the Feb. 8 Iowa caucuses, despite polls taken immediately after Mr. Hart's reentry that indicated as much as half Mr. Simon's support had evaporated overnight.

The caucuses are essentially neighborhood meetings in which residents declare their presidential preferences.

A more recent poll made by CBS News and The New York Times showed Mr. Simon leading Mr. Hart and other Democrats in the

Polling for the Simon campaign this week indicated that the Iowa race has returned to where it stood in late November, when Mr. Simon held a double-digit lead over his two closest rivals in Iowa, Governor Michael S. Dukakis of Massachusetts and Representative Richard A. Gephardt of Missouri.

Meanwhile, Mr. Simon's fortunes are improving dramatically in New Hampshire, which holds the country's first primary a week after the Iowa caucuses. Mr. Dukakis has long been considered the front-runner in New Hampshire because of the state's proximity to neighboring Massachusetts. But Mr. Simon, if he wins in lowa, could move into a position to emerge as the chief alternative to Mr. Dukakis.

Privately, Simon strategists say

They argue that Mr. Hart's return to the campaign lowered unre-

alistically high expectations for Mr. Simon in lowa and diverted criticism from him. In the minds of some Simon sup-

porters, a near perfect scenario has Mr. Hart finishing second to Mr. Simon. This would give the candidate a big lift while raising questions about Mr. Dukakis's electability and all but eliminating Mr. Gephardt and Bruce Babbitt, a former Arizona governor, from the

But Mr. Simon's advisers ac knowledge that Mr. Hart has muddled the race.

"Gary Hart has frozen the political landscape," said Brian Lunde, a Simon campaign manager. "Every-one has basically stayed where they were in late November, Now the question is what happens when it

As a campaigner, Mr. Simon also seems to have cooled in recent appearances in Iowa. He gave lackluster speeches before large audiences this week in Des Moines and Jeffer-

What polls of the last month seem to be saying is that Mr. Simon has a solid base in the state, but the race remains fluid. In short, Iowa is his to lose.

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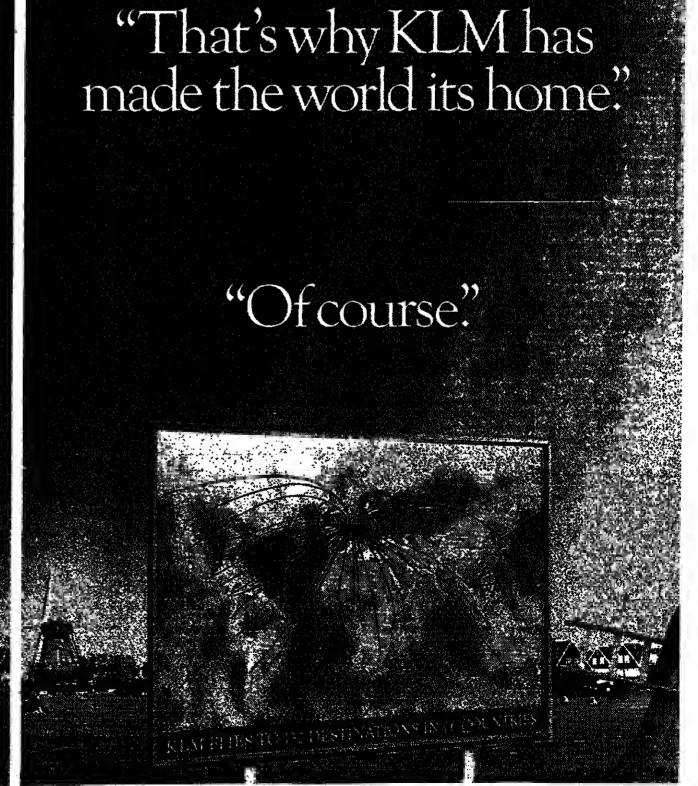
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Herald Eribune.

Both Sides Are Unwilling

Central American peace process: The Reagan administration does not want peace. and the Sandinists say they do but are

unwilling to pay the necessary price for it. How else can Nicaragua's failure to meet the agreed timetable for democratization be explained? What other explanation is there for administration threats to curtail U.S. aid should the nations of the area not help the Nicaraguan rebels — as required by the Central American peace plan?

It would be easy for either side to demonstrate that the 11ther lacked commitment to peace. Managua could go forward with democratization without the United States ceasing support for the contras. Washington could agree to end contra aid in advance of

the Sandinists' granting further liberties.
It speaks volumes that neither side has been willing to take such chances, even though doing so would spectacularly embarrass the other. The Sandinists seem intent only on trying in erode U.S. support for the contras. The administration seems bound only in destroy the Sandinists.

Where does this leave the region's five presidents, about to meet in discuss progress? They can extend the timetable for cease-fires and democratization. Or they can threaten to wash their hands of negotiations and let the region plunge back into all-out warfare. Better to try again. Io any event, let it be clear who bears the responsibility.

Such is the state of the plan bravely and shrewdly put furward by President Oscar Arias Sanchez of Costa Rica. It would have been understandable had the Reagan administration expressed doubts about the plan's viability while wishing it well. But that is not

A double-barreled reality leaps out of the enough for hard-liners who dominate. They fear giving the plan even an ontside chance. So they sent a proconsul to warn dependent Central American states of punishment unless they shun Nicaragua and try persuading Congress to continue aid to the contras.

This was the unmistakable message conveyed by the national security adviser, Lieutenant General Colin Powell, in talks over the weekend with leaders of El Salvador, Honduras, Guatemala and Costa Rica. He warned the four that if the contras are allowed in wither, "there will not be a sudden surge of interest in things Central American or other kinds of aid." Put bluntly, if Nicaragua's neighbors abide by their own peace plan's requirement to halt arms to contras, they cannot expect administratinn help in setting economic aid or loans.

This proconsular diplomacy is deeply offensive. It is the way Moscow might compel its Warsaw Pact neighbors to toe the line. It is a further example of the banana republic diplomacy practiced by Assistant Secretary of State Ellintt Abrams. All this comes at the end of another year in which the administration has pretended to favor a two-track policy on Nicaragua. It bas consistently dismissed or forced out every senior official

who tried to develop a diplomatic track.

Central America's five presidents are grown-ups who can do without patronizing advice. They know better than any Yankee the economic and social woes of a region bled by civil war. They understand the difficulties of negotiating cease-fires, extending amnesties and calling elections in societies with weak democratic traditions. They deserve U.S. support, nut threats.

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

In the Spirit of the Games

Forever, it sometimes seems, the Olympies have been an arena nnt so much for athletic competition as for political ven-geance. This year it may be different. Pulirics has not vanished from the Olympic scene, but for nace political cansiderations are working in good effect: to bring nations in rather than to drive them out, and in that way to make the Games true to their universalist sportsman's ideal. Specifically, the Russians are coming to the Summer Games in South Knrea, despite the strong possibility that their ally in North Korea will choose not to. The Chinese, another ally of the North, are also expected to take part.

Confirmatino of broad Communist participation in the Seoul Games does mare than ensure terrific athletic competition and terrific televising. It increases the chances that the odd-men-out in North Knrea will oot mess up the Olympics by threats nr acts of terrorism. If they do eogage in disruption, they will bave Moscow and Beijing in answer in. The North Knreans, practiced killers who have only lately begun to abandon a hermit's pose, are obviously shaken to find themselves isolated internationally and conspicuously abandnoed by their key patrons. But they bave left themselves a sliver of maneuvering room on the twio issues of sending their own athletes to compete and hosting some Olympic events on their territory. Presumably Moscow and Beijing are speaking quietly in Pynngyang about the benefits of going with the world flow. For South Korea, the latest word from

Moscow is welcome support for its grand strategic hope to outflank North Korea, to narrow the Communist regime's options for violence and to compel it to explore an open and peaceful relationship on Seoul's terms. This is a transcendent time in the life of a country that was born as half a nation after World War II, taken quite accidentally under the United States's wing and, a few years later, invaded and devastated by North Ko-

rea and saved by its own and American arms.
Living all the while under a deadly security threat from the north, South Korea has since become not a perfect development model but a striking economic success story. Though its political travails may not be over. it can be said to have taken some long and difficult steps along a democratic path. The award of the Summer Olympics to Seoul was received everywhere as international recognitinn of South Korea's national ascent. It is

working to deserve the honor in full. - THE WASHINGTON POST.

The Figures Are Flawed

Financial markets are braced for Friday's report on the November foreign trade deficit - and it is sure to be misleading, nnce again. Whatever it shows, the dollar figure will be wrong. The Reagan administration's failure to make the trade figures more accurate is irresponsible.

Four weeks ago, the startling announcement that the October deficit soured in a record \$17.6 billion sent the stock market down, interest rates up and the dollar to its lowest level in 40 years. The deficit did grow in October, but how much and bow significantly are unclear even oow.

Actually, despite the gross numbers, the physical volume of imports has been slowed; price tags - and thus dollar volume — remain high because the value of the dullar has dropped so much. Also, exports are rising impressively. All this gets lost, bowever, in the monthly ritual.

Ooe basic flaw in the monthly report is the lack of seasonal adjustment. The Commerce Department stopped adjusting when it became clear that its adjustments were unreliable. With valid adjustment, the October report would have discounted the pre-Christmas increase in imports. A second problem is the erratic nature of trade, especially in oil. Oil imports rise abruptly with

price cuts and drop when prices jump. There was also an unpredictable bulge in Japanese automobile imports last fall, to fill 1987 import quotas before year-end.

Bad as they are, the monthly reports are better than they were, and the experts are working on improvements. Computers and more careful tabulation have improved accuracy. But problems remain: Statistics for imports are more accurate than for exports, because importers must declare for customs clearance. Checking other countries' customs data could yield a better fix on exports. And there is the irrational law that requires two monthly reports, 48 hours apart; the first, which makes the headlines, inflates imports by counting insurance and freight costs.

Combined figures for the most recent three months are more indicative than nne month's report. But the best measurements - with seasonal adjustment - come only four times a year, two months after each calendar quarter. That is too long a wait for planners who need good data.

Decidedly, the trade deficit is not a sign of economic strength, as President Reagan proclaimed the other day. But just how much weakness the deficit reflects cannot be understood until the data are improved.

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Other Comment

A Policy of Concessions

The arrangement agreed to in Stockholm this week by the Soviet Union and Sweden, in their 19-year-old dispute over Baltic Sea. delineation, provides further evidence of what appears in be an important character-istic of Soviet foreign policy under Mikhail Gorbachev: The Soviet Union is prepared to make significant concessions in order to clear the decks of irritating disputes that have either been impairing Moscow's relatinns with its neighbors or sullying its repu-

The desire for better relations - or, more precisely, reduced tensions -- lay behind the Kremlin's decision last year to end a long-standing border dispute with China. The Soviet Union accepted Beijing's demand that

tation in the international community.

the border run down the middle of the Amur and Ussuri rivers and not, as the Russians had previously insisted, along the Chinese bank. With Mr. Gorbachev once again raising the prospect of a Soviet-Chinese summit meeting, it is not hard to detect Moscow's hand behind Vietnam's announcement this week that it may start withdrawing its troops from Cambodia by the end of this year.

The pattern that is emerging reinforces the view that Mr. Gnrbachev seems in be prepared to subordinate foreign priorities in domestie nnes in order to place the economy of the Soviet Union on a more stable keel. As he bas observed, his country will not be able to enter the 21st century as a great power unless the internal decay of the last 10 years can be reversed.

The Independent (London).

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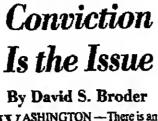
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Bush, Dole:

WASHINGTON —There is an important issue behind the challenge to Vice President George Bush to disclose his advice to President Reagan on the Iran arms sales. But it is a dangerous issue for Senator Bob Dole to raise.

The real issue for both men is whether they have the courage of their convictions. It is an issue for them as the battle for the Republican presidential nomination approaches its first tests next month in Iowa, because Mr. Reagan has esrablished a model, at least in the minds of Repubbean voters, of a president who acts on his beliefs. Arms to the ayatollah notwithstanding, Mr. Reagan is seen by many voters as a man who has stood up for what he believes.

In the contest for his inheritance, it is the trailing candidates who most clearly display this attractive trait. Pierre du Pont and Jack Kemp. though far back in the polls, better reflect Mr. Reagan's readiness to adopt "radical" policy alternatives and sell them in the public. Along with Alexander Haig, they have not besitated in say plainly where they disagree with existing policies. And Pat Robertson has displayed his mastery of Mr. Reagan's patented technique for turning away angry criticism with ready smiles.

These four men have been unable in exploit their "conviction politics" because of other doubts about their leadership capacity. Their credentials as a firmer governor of Delaware (Mr. du Pont), a member of the Hause of Representatives (Mr. Kemp), Richard Nixon's last chief of staff (Mr. Haig) and a former televi-sinn preacher (Mr. Robertson) do not get them over the threshold of presidential credibility in their first try for the office.

Mr. Bush and Mr. Dole have passed that threshold. Each has run for president, and they hold responsible positions as vice president and Senate Republican leader. Each is now trying to win by suggesting that the other lacks leadership ability. Those doubts are inherent in Mr.

Bush's career, raising questions about his beliefs in critical situations. He has been unsuccessful in gaioing the elective offices he sought, failing twice for the Senate

LONDON - Disagreement between the United States and the European allies on nuclear po-

licy is deepening, and its cause is widely misunder-stood in the United States. This week, in Washing-

ton, a blue-ribbon commission on the problems of

deterrence recommended to President Ronald Rea-

gan that the American nuclear arsenal be restruc-

worse news to those allies who live in places where

these weapons seem most likely actually to be used.

The report was prepared by eminent people under the chairmanship of Fred C. Ikle and Albert Wohnsteater, two parameters of American Location

doctrine. It deals with many matters, but among its

recommendations is that the United States concen-

trate on small, accurately deliverable weapons.

both to deter the Soviet Union and because these

weapons are, so the report claims, "politically

usable." The report criticizes today's reliance on

Yet last month the United States signed an

agreement with the Soviet Unioo to destroy a

whole class of medium-range missiles deplayed in Europe. Mr. Reagan and Mikhail Garbachev

promised to gn still further when they meet again

in Moscow this year. Mr. Reagan presses no with

his Strategic Defense Initiative, which he insists

will lead the world in total nuclear disarmament.

What is going on here? Is the policy of the United

States arms limitation or ouclear war fighting? Is

SDI a program of defense or an element in an

On Europe's side of the Atlantic, people ask,

beavy, long-range ballistic ouclear missiles.



and once for the presidential nomination. But he has risen to higher and higher appointive posts by flat-tering and serving men in power.

Such a career breeds caution, and Mr. Bush, from available evidence, was ootably reticent when crucial decisions were being made on arms sales in Iran. The unfolding record shows be was present, and apparently largely silent, at meetings where Secretary of State George Shultz and Secretary of Defense Caspar Weinberger expressed their strong opposition to the president's policy.

Mr. Bush has not put the suspicion about his deference and critical judgment in rest. But he has cleverly demonstrated an almost aggressive readiness to challenge his critics on the issue. Mr. Dole has yet to demonstrate

such a clear instinct of how to handle his "conviction" problem. It, too, is rooted in his career. For 27 years he has been in Congress, for all but six years in the minority. He has mastered the art of the half loaf, of trading advantageously with those who hold high cards, for whatever he could extract in policy or political

terms. It is a necessary role for a congressional leader, but it rarely allows him to display his principles On many vital issues, Mr. Dole

plainly has "risen above principle" in accommodate Mr. Reagan—the sin of which he accuses Mr. Bush. As chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, he passed the deep tax cuts Mr. Reagan wanted in 1981, against his better judgment, and has spent the past six years trying to repair the resulting revenue drain.
In a debate last week Mr. Dole

himself offered another example. Asked about his 1986 vote in sustain Mr. Reagan's veto of sanctions against South Africa — a veto that the Republican-controlled Senate overrode - Mr. Dole said: "If I were president I might have a little different view, but as Republican leader, I saw no need to pass it and embarrass the president."

If the leadership issue between Mr. Bush and Mr. Dole is a matter of who stands up to the president on a matter of principle in foreign policy. Republican voters may have a hard time making up their minds. The Washington Post.

Out of Afghanistan: Russia's Biggest Test

By Max Jakobson

Moscow on the prospects of an early withdrawal of Soviet forces from Afchanistan have an obvious tactical purpose. By appearing eager for an early settlement and securing confident of success, the Kremin is trying en persuade public opinion that any tailure in the upcoming round of UNsponsored talks will have been caused

by foot-dragging on the other side. Nevertheless, we must assume that the Soviet leaders genuinely want a settlement. The crucial question is what consequences a withdrawal of Soviet forces might have, not only in Afghanistan but throughout the Soviet sphere of influence. The fundamental concept of security that has governed Russian foreign policy for centuries is at stake.

Io trying to persuade Moscow to accept a nonaligned, non-Commun-ist Afghanistan, the West points to the examples of Finland and Austria — two Western democracies that pursue a policy of neutrality designed to reassure the Soviet Union. Both have been recognized by Soviet lead-ers as "good neighbors", neither poses any threat to Soviet security. By analogy, it is argued, a similar arrangement in Afghanistan should

satisfy any legitimate Soviet interests.

If the argument sounds familiar, it is because it is Yalta Revisited. At the end of World War II the West agreed that the Soviet Union was entitled in make sure that neighboring countries would be run by "friendly govern-ments" — in the sense that they would respect Soviet security — but that these governments must be free-ly elected by their peoples. This formula is now being offered as a basis for a settlement in Afghanistan.

Of course, the agreement reached in Yalta, as the Western allies understood it, was never carried out. Stalin exerted total political control of the countries his army had occupied. The only country in which the pro-posed marriage between Soviet secu-

rity interests and Western democracy was happily consummated was Finland, where "free and unfettered elections," as prescribed at Yalta, were beld in April 1945, within a month of the Big Three conference: the first free elections in war-torn Europe.

The reason this was possible in Finland was not that it had been so decreed in Yalta. Finland was barely mentioned there. The reason Western democracy survived in Finland was

LIELSINKI — The optimistic that the Finns had emerged from the It statements emanating from war with their political system intact. with no army of occupation on their soil. The policy of neutrality was developed by the Finns themselves: The idea of "Finlandizing" Afghanistan is based on a misunderstanding of what happened in Finland.

The Austrian case has more relevance: The Soviet Union agreed to withdraw its forces of occupation in return for an Austrian please of permanent neutrality. But there is an important difference between Austria in 1955 and Afghanistan today — the sabsence of an ideological demont in the Austrian settlement. The occupation had failed to put Communists into power anywhere in Austria. The Soviet withdrawal could be carried out without exposing a local Communist regime to possible destruction. It was

not an ideological retreat. not an ideological retreat.

Lessons from the history of Europe seldom apply to conditions in other parts of the world. Afghanistan today is a nation torn not only by years of fighting between the Soviet-backed

The decisive battle is. likely to be fought within Kremlin walls.

Communist regime and the majabiding guerillas, but by ancient tribal feuis.

A negotiated settlement and feuis. A negotiated settlement acceptable to all interested parties both misde and outside of Afghanistan one that could survive the departure of the Soviet forces — would be a feat with no precedent in international relations since World War II.

The consequences of the American withdrawal from Vietnam must haunt the Soviet negotiators. The moment the American forces had left, the settlement negotiated by Washington and Hanoi fell apart. For the United States, the collapse of its Vict-namese ally was a humiliating loss of prestige. But that is a wound that time can heal. For the Soviet Union. a similar debacle in Afghanisms would lead to something lar worse. the emergence of a new enemy on its doorstep. In risk such an outcome would go against the grain of the deeply rooted Russian obsession with security in the borderlands.

In his newly published memous "Menschen und Mächte" ("Men and Powers") Helmut Schmidt illustrates this obsession by quoting a 19th-centhis obsession by quoting a 19th-century Russian statesman who said at
the time of the Crimean War that
"Russia can feel completely secure
only when Russian soldiers stand on
both sides of her border," This concept of security has often merged with
another traditional trend in Russian policy: empire-building in Asia. Its spirit was expressed in the famous remark by Czar Nicholas I: "Where the Russian flag has once been hoisted

it must never be lowered." In the traditional view, the Soviet withdrawal from Austria can be presented as a blunder by Nikita Khruschool as a biling of visital kinds shehev and a warning against concessions in Afghanistan, it lit the fuse that caused the provide in Himself a few months later. Similarly, it may be argued, a withdrawal from Afghanistan could lead not only to the first structure of Mosson's allies in Afgeriants of Mosson's allies in Afgeriance. destruction of Moscow's allies in Afghanistan but to the unraveling of the

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Soviet security system in Europe. Yet the traditional Russian concept of security is beginning to yield diminishing returns. This has been recognized, at least implicitly, by General Secretary Mikhail Gorbachev. He has presented himself as a proponent of the concept of "common security" — that is, security assured by political rather than military means. His declared aim is to establisb "stable and predictable" relations with other countries. This goal cannot be achieved so long as the Afghanistan intervention continues to undermine his credibility.

The decisive battle of the Afghanistan war is likely to be fought within Kremin walls, not between used old bawks and doves but between mod-ernizers and traditionalists. President John F. Kennedy once said that the line dividing domestic and foreign affairs had become "as indistinct as a line drawn in water." The foreign policy of the Soviet Union cannot be divorced from domestic reform. In the longer run, Moscow cannot

continue to conduct a Stalinist for-eign policy while dismantling Stalinism at home. In this sense, Afghanistan may turn out to be a crucial test. of Mr. Gorbachev's ability to carry out his grand design.

Mr. Jakobson is a former Finnish ambassador to the United Nations. He contributed this comment to the Inter-national Herald Tribune.

MANAGUA — The government and people of Nicaragua want peace. There have already been more than 50,000 Nicaraguan casualties in the war financed by the United States. This includes 25,527 dead, the majnrity of whom are women, children and poor farmers. For a small country with 3.5 million people, this is a staggering figure. The harm to our economy exceeds \$3.5 billion. Mare United States aid to the contras can only mean more war, more death and destruction - more totally un-

During my trip to Washington in November, i discovered that many people were confused or misinformed about the nature and objectives of the Nicaraguan revolution. Let me make yet another effort to help the public, the administration and Congress clearly understand what we stand for.

SDI should do away with long-range missiles.

Mr. Reagan believes what he believes, and others believe what they believe, and all go on despite one another in today's Washington. The Ikle-Wahlstetter report is an attempt to clarify policy confusion, but it is unlikely to succeed even when Mr. Reagan is gone, because Washington's contradictions reflect the confusion of American public opinion and of Washington's political class.

In Europe, the people who make decisions do know what they want. They think nuclear weap-

Bad News on Deterrence for Those in the Line of Fire

By William Pfaff

range offensive missiles. Mr. Reagan has said that

ons are fine. They like them the way they are. They like politically unusable nuclear weapons. Those, they say, are the best kind.

They think that large and politically unusable ouclear weapons have kept the peace for 40 years. cooled Russian tempers and contained Soviet ambitions, kept the United States from even warse troubles than it managed to get into with coovendanal weapons in Vietnam, and made Europe secure. They like nuclear weapons as insurance against a Soviet threat that they do not consider urgent enough to justify the money conventinoal deterrence would cost.

They went along with the recent treaty in order to accommodate President Reagan, but they do ont like it. Their objection is not the one stressed in the U.S. debate, that the loss of medium-range advanced nuclear war lighting program? The latter is the way the Iklé-Wohlstetter report treats it, saying that SDI must be "paired" with new long-saying them more convincing. They dis-

ble war - and to the forms of political intimidation attached to plausible threats of war. Western Europe and the United States, on these matters, are headed with mounting speed in oppoment and/or strategic involuerability on the one

liked the arms agreement because it implied Europe's eventual denuclearization, which they see

as opening the door to conventional war - plausi-

hand, and nuclear war fighting forces on the other. The West Europeans think that disarmament/invulnerability is unattainable, and that lighting ity to the use of nuclear weapons. As the disagreement is likely to continue, and the United States unlikely to change, the Europeans would seem to have two possibilities for the long term. One is to enhance their already substantial

nuclear deterrent forces, creating their own version of a policy of mutual assured destruction, with West Germany involved in some as yet undefined way. Or else they could look for security, or whatever they are willing to accept as security, in political agreements with Moscow, or in concessions. Some countries may do one thing, some the other. Neither choice is attractive. But unless the Soviet

Union undergoes profound change in the next few years (which is not impossible), this would seem to be the prospect. People on both sides of the Atlantic increasingly see both the threat and the means of their security in different ways. That implies that each eventually must assume the responsibilities that accompany an independent view of things. International Herald Tribune.

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More Aid for the Contras, More Pain for the People

necessary and unjustifiable suffering.

Nicaragua wants a fully democratic political system. One tenet of our revolution is political pluralism, which entails freedom of the press and no restrictions on opposition polincal activities. Under our revolution, in 1984 the first pluralistic and free elections in Nicaragua's history were held. We will continue to guarantee and increase free and open political debate in the hope that in the next elections even the contras will participate — provided they have be-come part of the legal civilian opposi-

tinn by laying down their arms.

The Sandinista party will respect
the results of such elections. We are confident we have the support of the majority of Nicaraguans. But if the opposition wins, we will turn over the government in them, with all the powers our constitution specifies. We are prepared to become the loyal opposiBy Daniel Ortega Saavedra The writer is president of Nicaragua.

no military expertise to understand and women, trained to defend themthat as loog as the cootra war con-tinues, aloog with the threat of a Grenada-style invasion, Nicaragua must maintain an army larger than needed in peacetime, and, more important, a sizable militia.

We have never tried to hide this.



By NARANJO in El Universal IMexico City).

Two months before the State Department unveiled Roger Miranda Bengoechea a defector, in the press, General Humberto Ortega Saavedra, our defense minister, stated publicly tion if that is what the people decide.

As for defense matters, it requires an army—of more than 500,000 men

The Reagan administration has demonstrated a intal lack of respon-

selves and their land against foreign aggression. The people demand these arms to defend themselves. He also said we hoped to acquire interceptor aircraft in protect our airspace from hostile planes, such as those that supply weapons and ammunition to the contras with impunity every day.

What apparently caused concern in the Miranda-State Department declaration was the allegation that Nicaragua intended in build up its army and acquire Soviet jets even after relations with the United States are oormalized. This is false. If we receive sufficient security guarantees from Washington, we will not maintain a large army or obtain unnecessary armaments. Indeed, the Defense Ministry's draft proposal stolen by Mr. Miranda and made public calls for a reduction in the size of our army

over the next seven years. If, through direct talks, Nicaragua receives sufficient security guarantees from the United States, we are prepared, in the context of regional agreements, to take four steps. We would: Establish limits on our army and

on armaments, with a mutual ban on all offensive weapons. Dispense with any foreign military advisers and prohibit the stationing of foreign troops in the region.

Prohibit the establishment of fareign military bases on our soil.

 Actively prevent the use of our territory to threaten or subvert any country in the region, as has already been agreed to by the five Central American presidents in Guatemala

siveness to Nicaragua's repeated initiatives for a peaceful, negotiated resolution of our differences. There is on oeed in "pressure" Nicaragua to move toward peace. The administration itself could benefit from pressure. Further aid to the contras only stiffens its resolve not to negotiate with Nicaragua.
On the other hand, ending aid to

the contras would compel the admin-istration to respect the Guatemala accords and to seek in earnest a negotiated solution with Nicaragna. Such a solution is imminently obtainable. The New York Times.

100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1888: Untimely Soaked BERLIN - German theatre-goers

are safe from fire, but not water. At Bonn recently the audience, in the middle of an opera, was drenched owing to an error of the man who controlled the emergency fire sprin-klers. The unlucky singers at Münster were in the same way drowned out during a rehearsal. In this case the flood was so sudden and so deep that Frau Joachim and the singers were forced to stand upon chairs until rescued. There have been nearly a dozen such unexpected floods in Germany.

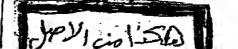
1913: British Enter Tibet

PEKING — Urgent telegrams have been received here announcing the entrance of British troops in Tibet. and reporting that the Dalai Lama has authorized four delegates to negotiate a treaty with the object of obtaining British protection in return

tions of the British Government NEW YORK — Despatches from Washington emphasize the fact that the acceptance by China of the terms offered by the six Great Powers for the \$125 million loan will hasten the recognition of the Chinese Republic

1938: Bible May Err

LONDON—Fifteen years after they started their discussions of doctrine in the Church of England, twenty leaders of Britain's state religion today [Jan. 14] produced a 242-page report of their deliberations, which denied that the Bible was free from error, doubted the conclusiveness of evidence of the virgin buth; and indi-cated official church belief that the creation, as told in Genesis, has a value "symbolical rather than historical." The report holds that the Bible is "the Word of God," but that all its parts are not spiritually on the same level, and its authority cannot prefor special advantages. China is clude future judgments of critical and scientific investigation.



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OPINION

St Test A Moderate Voice of Hope By Anthony Lewis By Anthony Lewis By Anthony Lewis

JERUSALEM — In 20 years of occu
"You can stop paying taxes. Then
you go on to licenses, building permits.
you are under house arrest; you violate estinian protest, but none nearly so inturmoil for more than a month now. The daily to the police, and you don't.

shops in the West Bank and East Icrusa. The identity card would be a symlem have been closed for days. And the bolic point of no return. Say you get 100 protest goes on despite successive Israeli public figures from the West Bank and neasures: deportations, arrests, deten-ions, more than 30 Palestinians killed. But where can the protest lead politi-

Palestinian intellectual, Sari Nusseibch.

A professor of philosophy at Bir Zeit University in the West Bank, he is chown to many Israelis and is usually characterized as a moderate, a centrist

"Ideally you would get the negotiat-ing process going," Mr. Nusseibeh re-sponded, "Not that the protest began sponded. "Not that the process organic for that end. There wasn't a mind planning in advance what to do and why; the Israelis know it was spontaneous resistance to the occupation. But it would matter if the uprising hurried people to the negotiating table." Mr. Nusselbeh said he foresaw more

violence on both sides if what he called "a process of civil rebellion" built up. "It
"a process of civil rebellion" built up. "It
"The PLO did not start the uprising."
will not be Gandhiesque," he said. He
Mr. Nusseibeh said, "but it alone is in a
mentioned in that regard the killing of a
position to stop it. If the PLO radio
young Palestinian on Monday by a Jewcalled on people to stop the civil action
and return to work, I'm sure 98 percent

He indicated, however, that his own choice for Palestinians, as the most effective means to a political end, would be nonviolent civil disobedience. He spoke of a number of possible "means to disengage from the Israeli system."

tense or extended. Gaza has been in it. Or you are under orders to report

Gaza; they gather at the Damascus Gate and burn their Israeli identity cards." He added: "It is all a risk. It needs a kind of faith. You have to make up your mind — you either stay in the system or you say the heli with it, you will no longer play the game by the rules."

When he spoke of the protest leading

to negotiations, I asked what negotiations did he mean? Between whom? Mr. Nusseibeh said there should be an international conference, including Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization

But the PLO is political anathema in Israel. The leaders of both major parties in the coalition government, the Likud and Labor, have rejected the idea of sitting down with the PLO, which most Israelia dismiss as a terrorist organiza-tion. Why should that change now?

of the trouble would stop. That includes the Islamic fundamentalists - if not out of love, out of necessity, because they cannot operate by themselves.

"So I think Defense Minister Rabin should contact the PLO. As a signal for do not wish to be thrown into the desert.



immediate steps to alleviate pressures on people in the occupied territories - release prisoners, for example; cancel deportation orders. And if I were advising the PLO, I would urge them to prepare a bold Palestinian peace program to present to the Israeli man in the street. It is necessary to allay his fears for his future and his children's future in this state.

"The message should be: 'We don't want to push you into the sea, but we also

future negotiations he could take some We do not wish to destroy your state, but we want our own state alongside."

"It's no good to have just an uprising to have war, if you will it is necessary to have an alternative, the peace option. To be a peacemaker in situations of intense conflict can be dangerous, as Mr. Nusseibeh well knows. When he took part in secret talks with a Likud official last year and the story came out be was beaten up hy masked men at Bir Zeit. "There is a security risk in being a moderate," he said. "But the way to

avoid that is not to shy away from the political effort but to press it. If there are tangible results, the risk is decreased. Peace is a game in which two people are involved. You have to help each other.

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Probably most people in the region, Israelis and Palestinians alike, would dismiss these views as hopelessly idealistic. The more likely future may well be unending conflict and repression. But at the beginning of a visit to the Middle East, it is good to hear someone talking of a way out.

The New York Times.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

They Also Serve Who Wait

"What's so newsworthy about that?" l-remember well my first two years after finishing graduate education; I waited tables at a Mexican restaurant. Very few people make optimal use of For an End to the Gulf War

their education immediately after graddents now studying at U.S. colleges and and sooner or later they will assume responsibilities greater than if they had not had their overseas exposure. It matters not if they cannot transfer 100 percent of their U.S. experience back to

In U.S.-China education exchanges, the worry at the moment is how to persuade Chinese students not to stay on after finishing their Ph.D.s. to do postdoctoral research. This issue is be-

China immediately upon their return.

growing issue of ensuring that what the sasters for the Iranian people. students learn matches what China It is time for all Iranians whose voices tion in 1984. When he withdrew from and of its purely practical purpose.

needs. China does not need too many can be heard in the free world to unite the current presidential race in May, be Ph.D.s in laser physics, for instance. When reading your front-page report

on "Returning Students Adrift in China" (Dec. 28), I couldn't help wondering.

Institute of International Education JAY HENDERSON.

Southeast Asia Office. Hong Kong

F. Mohebbi's letter to the editor (Dec. uation. For many, the wait takes years. 18) reflects the genuine desire of the The more than 20,000 Chinese stn-suffering people of Iran to see an immediate end to the disastrous Iran-Iraq universities are destined to return home, war. Iranians who live outside their country and who reject United Nations Resolution 598 on nationalistic grounds are not aware of the realities of Iran. If they could go back and talk to the people, as I did a month ago, then they certainly would change their minds. Now that the Soviet Union is giving favorable signals to UN peace efforts,

an arms embargo against Iran has be-come a possibility, if Resolution 598 is rejected by that country. Iraq would then have carte blanche to strengthen its Do the Right Thing, Gary ing dealt with at many levels. then have carte blanche to strengthen its
As for future problems, there is the military machine, resulting in more di-

behind the secretary-general of the did the right thing. Otherwise the result United Nations and support his efforts would have turned on Mr. Hart's crediin enforcing Resolution 598.

K. RASHIDI.

Miscue by Attenborough

Regarding "For U.S. Actor, Biko Is a Fulfilling Role" (Dec. 29) by Terry Trucco: It is strange that Sir Richard Atten-borough's film "Cry Freedom" was shot in Zimbabwe, a country that has become a one-party state since the election of President Robert Mugabe, All opposition has been persecuted into silence. Martyrs such as Steve Biko have been

numerous in most African states, but Sir Richard, hy working in Zimbabwe, capi-talizes on the double standards of a gullible Western public. BIANCA M. NIELSEN.

Wettswil, Switzerland.

We worked for Gary Hart's nomina-

the other candidates, and could well ensure a Republican victory. Gary, do the right thing and withdraw

hility, not the issues.

again. You don't want to put another Republican in the White House. FRANCIS M.S. PEEL. Geneva. ROBERTA ENSCHEDE The Hague.

Mr. Hart has now done the wrong

thing. The campaign will now focus on his morals, and his presence will demean

A Practical Meeting on Food

SALLY MCNULTY.

London.

The report "Battle Shapes Up for Top UN Health Post" (Dec. 18) men-tions a meeting in 1985 on Islamic re-quirements for foods of animal origin as an example of the use of World Health Organization resources to convey religious messages. The reporter seems un-aware of the background of this meeting

Moslem communities in Islamie countries and Europe, as well as some meat-importing Islamic countries, had been making confusing and conflicting demands in the name of religious requirements. Several countries participating in international Codex Alimentarius meetings demanded that these requirements be clarified, especially in relation to bygiene and bumaneness.

The Institute of Veterinary Medicine in Berlin, a collaborating center for WHO and the Food and Agriculture Organization, worked three to four years on this subject. The meeting in 1985 was the culmination of this study. Representatives of industry and food control groups, animal protectionists from various parts of the world and members of Islamie countries diseussed the essential rules with Moslem jurists and scholars.

The findings of the meeting are to serve as a supplement to the Interna-tional Codes of Hygienic Practice of the Codex Alimentarius where appropriate. KLAUS GERICK,

Director. Institute of Veterinary Medicine.

Something Needs to Be Done About the Quality of Dying

By Judith Paterson

a public sanatorium in her youth, called pneumonia "the old man's friend." By the time I was born, Grammy had become a full-time nurturer and provider of housing, food and good company to hordes of relatives and friends, children and grandchildren. The last time I saw her, she was gathering pecans in the grove behind ber house and complaining

MEANWHILE

about her inability to carry the heavy load she had picked. "You know," she said, "I must be an old woman, but l don't feel like an old woman." She died

in her sleep a few days later at 92.

My mother's mother suffered for a few months with a cancer that was considered untreatable in the late 1940s, before dying of heart failure at 80. Both of my grandfathers died after orief illnesses, one from influenza and the other from peritonitis caused by a ruptured appendix. Though they died young, both of them died with their

savings, as well as their dignity, intact. Not many people die of pneumonia anymore. In fact, it is getting harder and harder to die of anything. Modern medicine has deprived old men and women of all the "friends" that used to put a quick and merciful end to terminal suffering.

When my father began dying of lung cancer in 1980, he was a vigorous 68, still working full time in the wholesale florist business that had supported his family for three generations, still driving to the west coast of Mexico every summer for a vacation, still putting in long weekends on the 25 acres (10 hectares) he had been landscaping to perfection since the 1940s.
Understanding the slim chance be

had of surviving lung cancer, with or without an operation, with or without chemotherapy, he asked to forgo all treatment and live as best be could until he died. My stepmother joined his doctors in "refusing to listen to such talk."

The operation that removed a lobe of his right lung brought on a stroke that left him with the shuffle of an old man, broken physically, unable to work or enjoy his family. As his body and his spirits deteriorated, medicine for heart condition, stomach ulcers, high hlood pressure and depression kept him going. When the cancer reappeared, he re-fused a second operation, only to be kept alive for a further year by repeated trips to the hospital to have oxygen,

drugs and food pumped into his body. The last time I saw him, he was slumped in a wheelchair. His head was too heavy for his decaying body to support. Suffering was the only human thing that was left to him.

At its most meaningful, death communicates something essential and es-tablishes a final bond between the person who is leaving and those who stay

WASHINGTON — My father's behind. Approval long withheld can sometimes be expressed, sins forgiven, a public sanatorium in her youth, called secrets shared, mantles passed. I have come to believe that we imperil a necessary link in the chain of human connection when we keep the body alive in a state that no longer houses the spirit. All this was brought home to me again

last summer when I went to help my stepmother sell her house in Montgomery, Alabama, and move into a nursing home. She is 78 and terminally ill with emphysema and heart disease. Humiliated by the circumstances of her illness and exhausted from months of mental and physical pain, she begs to die.

Every time death approaches, the nursing home ships her to the hospital to be "rehabilitated" in intensive care. There I see hopeless cases kept alive for no reason. Cancer patients without hope of recovery get chemotherapy, blood transfusions, radiation. The very old lie like corpses in their beds, liquids drip-ping all day into limbs crisp and yellow as parchment. A social worker calls it

as pareinnent. A social worker cans it the "ritual of prolongation." I ask "What for?" and get no answer. Medical technology, which taught us that everything could be cured, has hurled two generations and a whole culnuried two generations and a whole cul-ture into a crisis of dying. No one saw the shadow of protracted terminal ago-ny standing behind the bright promise of longevity. Like Tithonus in the Greek myth, we asked for everlasting life and got ever-deteriorating old age instead. We hear a lot about the quality of

living. What worries me now is the quality of dying. My parents' generation could not have foreseen the multitude of health choices thrust upon them. Those of us in our 40s and 50s, a generation that promises to be even longer lived, are going to have to look at those choices and face what they mean. There is no way, economically or spiritually, that we can af-

ford to die the way our parents are dying. When people like Richard Lamm, former governor of Colorado, and the medical ethicist Daniel Callahan suggest that we follow the British in limiting treatment of the old and terminally ill, kneejerk rhetoric from all sides smothers the soul-searching public debate we need.

Somehow, we are going to have to start moving away from a medical model for dying to a humanitarian one, a model that accepts death as the natural end of life and that helps people to die as gracefully and humanely as possible.

As the proverb goes, "God save you from living in interesting times." My

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generation has lived in interesting times: civil rights, women's rights, sexual liber-ation, Vietnam. And now this. The activist generation has another joh to do. It is tune we got started.

Ms. Paterson is a writer and teaches journalism at the University of Maryland. She contributed this comment to the Los Angeles Times.

GENERAL NEWS

France Gives Warning to Iran Dissidents Thatcher

touched off an international out- suspended 10 of the expulsion or-

that the agreement providing for their return included a pledge to refrain from political activity couple of them had died," an offigariant from French territory.

As seven Iranians left Gabon for Exercise the Benefit of the Benefi ment had been forced to reverse "a

non. France apparently agreed to... In private comments, Western banish some mujahidin and other diplomats expressed satisfaction at opponents of Ayatollah Ruhollah the discomfiture of French official solutions. Western ment's handling of the episode has knowledged that an Iranian woman had been mistakenly arrested opponents of Ayatollah Ruhollah the discomfiture of French official solutions.

but said French restrictions on mu- too inclined to make hostage deals the dissidents' return. jabdidin activities in France were with Iran.

Mr. Chirac, in rescinding the orested to be heading advisors that reversal seemed likely to reinforce ers who warned him that human and obtain the release of more hos-

cry, maintained Thursday that they ders for procedural reasons.

would be deported again; if they in reasons the said on relevision Thursday inght ders against the 15 dissidents.

France acted for humanitarian reasons, officials said, citing their hesia

dirty deaf with Iran.

comed by the foreign governments, year in order including the United States and obtaining the release in December Britain, that had called for the distrainan ire.

Politically,

By Joseph Fitchett for those bombings was widely as impulsive leader. But opposition presidential elections in April. Mr. chirac, who is expected to announce, politically embarrassed by Kurds also went to temporary asynamint, politically embarrassed by Kurds also went to temporary asynamint to readmit Itanian dissipation. Meanwhile, in a separate to readmit Itanian dissipation of the expulsion of the expulsion

hesitated to attack the government French security.
too strongly because they also are Their expulsion had been or-

France, the People's Mujahidin Organization, which had organized that "there could be no question of said that France's Socialist governIn rounding up and French hostages in Lebanon from cated in anti-Khomeini violence.

Politically, however, the governpponents of Ayatollah Rubollah the discomfiture of French officials, notably Interior Minister his wife, Danielle, publicly sympamember of the mujahidin.

Mr. Chirac denied any such deal. Charles Pasqua, whom they view as thized with protesters demanding

Le Monde, the Paris daily, said

shook Paris in 1986. Responsibility criticism of Mr. Chirac as an over-rights would be an issue in the tages.

sion had focused on France's tradi- orders, Mr. Chirac's government tions of political asylum, not on the appeared to acknowledge implicit-question of political deals with ly that it lacked evidence to justify publicly its charges that the dissi-French Socialists apparently dents constituted a threat to

ganization, which had organized that "there could be no question of said that France's Socialist governhunger strikes and protests against reconsidering the expulsion orthe ouster, said the French government had been forced to reverse "a

The French decision will be well
The french decision will be well-The French decision will be wel-tuated their return to France last ans, notably two young women, comed by the foreign governments, year in order to protect the lives of who had no record of being impli-

> "The police were clumsy," said a senior French official, who ac-

the damage to Mr. Chirac's credi-bility might complicate France's ef-

Urges Closer NATO Links

By Karen DeYoung

Washington Post Service

LONDON — Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher has called on France and Spain to increase their level of military cooperation with the North Atlantic Treaty Organi-

tend their military cooperation" with the NATO alliance.

coordinates its military planning with NATO nor has committed its troops to a NATO command.

from the NATO integrated struc ture in 1966 but bas recently sought to strengthen its military relationships with West Germany and Brit-Such arrangements are "useful,"

Mrs. Thatcher, who considers herself a trans-Atlantic bridge be-

a national emergency, its weapons The dispute between the two are also committed to coordinated NATO targeting. France, on the consolidate the position of the La- other hand, considers all matters bor Party, which is much further to pertaining to its nuclear deterrent to be secret and separate from NATO.

name. But Mrs. Thatcher's plural An opinion poll published reference was seen to refer equally the continued basing of 72 U.S. jet fighters on Spanish territory. contaminated by nuclear radia-

NATO is planning a meeting of

from Brussels.

Alliance diplomats and officials summit meeting in six years.

EUROPEAN TOPICS



REMINDER OF PARIS-BONN LINK - Konrad Adenance of West Germany and Charles de Gaulle of France are featured on this postage stamp jointly produced by the two countries to commemorate the signing on Jan. 22, 1963, of the treaty providing for coordination of policies in foreign affairs, defense, information and cultural affairs. This is the French version of the stamp.

British Political Center Is in Disarray

By Barry James

uonal Herald Tribune cial Democratic parties threw the and social policies. center of the British political spectrum into confusion Thursday. was formed in 1981

The leaders of both parties were

consulting grass-roots activists and were scheduled to reconvene Monday to see if there was any point in continuing the negotiations. Both parties are to hold special assemblies on the issue later this month. But David Steel, the Liberal

leader, said he could not see a way forward after the other 16 Liberals in the House of Commons rejected, a joint policy statement that he had drawn up with the Social Comcratic leader, Robert Maclennan, as being too right-wing.

Party, which has a centuries-old history and which still is a major force in local British politics demember House of Commons.

The Social Democratic Party was formed in 1981 by moderate Socialists who broke away from the fies would become a single group Labor. Party because of its slide known as the Social and Liberal toward the extreme left. Under the leadership of David Owen, a former Labor foreign sec-

retary, they set out to "break the mold" of Britain's two-party system in a formal electoral alliance. Parliament and leading party offiwith the long-established Liberals. Within the Alliance, the two parties kept their separate policies and

leaderships. The center grouping was routed in the general election in June, with the Social Democrats winning only

Dr. Owen resigned as party leader in August and set up a Social spite its shim presence in the 630- Democrat splinter group in Parliament rather than accept the deci- the way for Dr. Owen to resume "I think he will go," said Tony sion of most Social Democrats to Greaves, a Liberal Party activist. merge formally with the Liberals ical tricks, new faces may be bene- said the parties had fundamental

Liberals accused Mr. Steel of al- Despite Dr. Owen's warning and submarine-launched Trident mis-lowing the tail to wag the dog m rumblings of discontent from the siles, to continue building nuclear The collapse of merger negotiations between the Liberal and Social Democrats on defense, finance Mr. Steel went ahead with the relief on house mortgages and to merger talks

> Democrats and adopt a common 6,000-word policy statement. When the statement was made public, it was immediately rejected the left than either of the Alliance by the Liberal Party members of

The party's president-elect, Michael Meadowcroft, called the policy statement "so illiberal that we Labor Party at 40 percent, only two dispute with the United States over may well now have a leadership percentage points behind the Concrisis rather than a merger crisis." percentage points behind the Concrisis rather than a merger crisis." Liberal leaders accused Mr. Steel five seats. Between them, the Alli- of failing to consult his colleagues on the government over allegations The debacle could end Mr. ance partners won 22 seats, com-Steel's leadership of the Liberal pared to 27 in the previous Parlia-Party, which has a centuries-old ment.

The failure of the negotiations also raised questions about Mr. Maclennan's future and could open leadership of Social Democrats.

extend value added tax to food, At the end of the talks Wednes-day, it was proposed that the par-and newspapers in line with other forces when and where it sees fit in European Community countries. centrist parties appeared likely to

> sition to the Conservative Party of Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher. servatives. The poll suggested broad support for Labor's attack

partners, as the only credible oppo-

Flu Outbreak Hits Moscow The Associated Press

MOSCOW - An outbreak of Liberals objected to several key influenza has hit the Soviet capital said the 16 leaders would assemble Rather than looking for new polit- around a common program. He provisions of the policy statement, sending at least 13,000 Muscovites in March or April at NATO headnotably including a commitment to to their beds every day. Tass said quarters in Brussels for their third support deployment of U.S.-built, Wednesday.

In a speech Wednesday to the Foreign Press Association in London, Mrs. Thateher expressed the hope "that those NATO members who are not part of NATO's integrated military structure will ex-

The definition applies only to France and Spain, neither of which Mrs. Thatcher made specific ref-erence to France, which withdrew

Mrs. Thatcher said, provided that the "clear and demonstrable effect is to strengthen NATO, and not to erode or undermine its unity."

From U.S. Air Force tween the United States and the up after the crash of a U.S. B-52 rest of NATO in Europe, recently bomber carrying nuclear war-heads in Greenland 20 years ago rejected a French suggestion to coordinate the targeting of French and British independent nuclear are filing damage claims against the U.S. Air Force for illnesses weapons, officials in London said. that they contend are related to Although Britain reserves the ulradiation poisoning. About 1,200 Danes and Greenlanders helped

Claimants must file before Thursday, the deadline under the Spain was not mentioned by U.S. statute of limitations. ing four hydrogen hombs crashed near the U.S. Air Base at Thule, in northwest Greenland. Workers there removed bundreds of tons of ice and snow

■ NATO Meeting Planned

its 16 heads of government to demonstrate the alliance's political solidarity before President Ronald Reagan visits Moscow later this year, Reuters reported Thursday

cases of respiratory diseases, been prosecuted, or for whom hlood and skin cancers and the statute of limitations had run deaths among the people who worked on the clean-up. Birth defects and sterility also have been reported. He said a new Danish health study, expected

within a few months, is likely to

give further evidence of exposure

to radiation and toxic sub-

Danes Ask Damages

Danish workers who cleaned

On Jan. 21, 1968, a B-52 carry-

tion from the bombs, whose cas-

about the danger and wore no protective clothing.

has declined to supply informa-

tion about the crash, including

health data, saying it is top se-

cret. Mr. Roisman said reports

dicated a significant increase in

The U.S. Defense Department

recover the wreckage, and more than 150 have filed for compen-**UN War Crimes List** sation so far, according to Anthony Z. Roisman, their Washington-hased attorney. **Prompts Bonn Move**

West Germany's Central Office for the Prosecution of Nazi War Crimes has sent regional prosecutors the names of 4,500 war crimes suspects that came to light as a result of the decision hy the United Nations to release its files on suspected Nazi criminals, according to Alfred Streim, the director of the government-

ings were broken in the crash. They say they were not told Last year, Mr. Streim's office in Ludwigsburg received from the United Nations the names of 30,000 Germans suspected of having being involved in World War II crimes. The 4,500 names sent to prosecutors are from the 17,000 UN cases examined so far. The other 12,500 names by Danish health authorities inturned out to be those of people

who were dead or had already

financed office.

ont. The 4,500 names are those of which is there is no statute of limitations in West Germany.

Around Europe

Over widespread protests, the Dublin city council has ap-proved the construction of a four-lane highway, costing 2 million lrish pounds (\$3.2 million), that will cut through the Liberties, the most ancient quarter of the Irish capital, and pass close to St. Patrick's Cathedral, an imposing Protestant church dating from the 12th century.

The U.S. Embassy in London has scheduled lunch-time and after-office hours for U.S. citizens living in Britain who wish to yote in the presidential and/or state primaries. In order to reduce waiting times during normal of-fice hours, the embassy's American Citizen Services Office will be open to voters from 1 to 2 P.M. on Feb. 4 and 18, March 3 and 23, April 8 and 21, and May 11 and 23. It will also be open from 5 to 7 P.M. on Feb. 1, March I and 21, April 20, and May 9 and 26.

-SYTSKE LOOIJEN

Some Fear Infighting, Even a Coup, in Taiwan Due to Chiang's Death

By Fox Butterfield New York Times Service

Chinese and American special- growth. ists on Taiwan have expressed concera about the future of the island after the death of President Chiang Ching-kuo, in their view the most since 1949.

The experts said they worried that Mr. Chiang's death could lead to political infighting among the Chinese Nationalists, a possible coup by the conservative armed forces or agitation for indepenmake up 84 percent of the island's population of 19.4 million.

in turn, any move toward inde-pendence by Taiwan would trouble the Communists in Beijing, who contend that Taiwan is part of China, and could put the United States in an awkward position.

There is doubt as to how the Kuomintang, the ruling party, will evolve, how opposition political figures will react and what position tion with mainland China, which is treaty for many years. rightful Chinese government.

Chinese and American authorities take advantage of the situation." on Taiwan said that they expected Miss Lu, a visiting scholar at vice president's post by Mr. favor on a coup, and had not "done as good a job as all sides to exercise restraint and Harvard University, said she Chiang, he is not considered a that after a period of uncertainty strongly supported the new presistrong political leader and does not the Kuomintang. He was Mr. viding for stability after his death. and pancreas transplants.

Taiwan would resume its political stability and rapid economic

Mr. Chiang's death "ought to make us a little nervous," said William H. Gleysteen Jr., a former deputy chief of the U.S. Embassy significant political event there in Taipei and now director of studies at the Council on Foreign Rela-

Chiang was the only person with the sense and power to keep things under control," Mr. Gleysteen said, meaning both the power to push liberalizations through the dence by native Taiwanese, who conservative government and to dissuade the Taiwanese from pushing for more radical change.

"I assume there will also be a considerable amount of anxiety in Beijing," he added, referring to the Communists' concern about the drive for independence by some

The United States recognizes the Communists' claim that Taiwan is part of China. But Washington also figures will react and what position has long-standing political, eco-the post-Chiang leadership will nomic and sentimental ties to Taitake on the question of reunifica- pei, with which it had a security

100 miles (160 kilometers) away Lu Hsiu-lien, a leading Taiwanacross the Strait of Formosa. The ese opposition figure who served Republic of China, confined to five and a half years in prison after Taiwan and a few smaller islands taking part in a political demonsince 1949, asserts that it is the stration in 1979, said she was worried both about a coup and an Despite these concerns, most attempt by the Communists "to



Buddhist monks at the Taiwan Embassy in Seoul lit incense Thursday to honor Chiang Ching-kno.

Washington.

Mr. Lee, a native Taiwanese who other key figures to watch: had been vice president, was made president on Wednesday, accordfigure is uncertain.

an intelligent and moderate tech-

Although he was chosen for the

san Association for Public Affairs, ty apparatus and the Kuomintang, power for several years. He is real Taiwanese lobbying group in or Nationalist Party. The experts say these are among

· General Hao Pei-tsun, chairman of the chiefs of staff. He is the leader ing to the constitution. But whether most powerful figure in the military he will be more than a transitional and, like virtually all senior offi-The president, who has a doctorate in agricultural economics from Mr. Chiang's father, Chiang Kai-Cornell University, is regarded as shek. The army may be constrained an intelligent and moderate techtroops are Taiwanese and that the

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dent. Lee Teng-bui, as did Peng have ties to the major power bases Chiang's closest disciple and is a Ming-min, president of the Formo- in Taiwan: the military, the securi- good organizer but has been out of

Yu Kno-hua, the prime minis-

ter. He will also be in the inner

circle but is not considered a strong Lin Yang-kang, a Taiwanese and a former interior minister. He cers, is a mainlander, one of those is viewed as forceful and ambitious and could emerge as an alternative

to Mr. Lee. Thomas Gold, a professor at the University of California at Berkeley, said Mr. Chiang had not aled any real successor to develop United States would look with disThere has been only one known begin immediately. No legislation heart transplant in Japanese medi-

To Allow for Organ Transplants,

By Clyde Haberman

New York Times Service

taking study, the Japan Medical Association has decided to accept

brain death as a valid definition of

and other organ transplants that

Still, resistance in Japan to the

Japanese medicine, which has long

heart is the repository of the soul.

To many Japanese, death occurs

only when the heart - not the

brain - ceases to function, and

cal progress.

now are effectively banned.

TOKYO - After years of pains-

cal history. In August 1968, a physician in Sapporo, Juro Wada, declared a drowned boy to be brain dead, and death, clearing the way for heart he immediately removed the heart and implanted it into another youth, who was dying from a con-genital cardiac disease. The recipi-

medical procedure is strong and three months. anti-transplant campaigners are considered likely to bring charges legal action, accusing Dr. Wada of taking a heart from a still-living donor. While no criminal charges against any hospital that tries to go But the association's decision were filed, the case dragged on for was an important milestone for six years before it was dropped.

been buffered by the conflicting As part of its recommendations, imperatives of tradition and surgithe medical association's Life Ethics Council said Tuesday that it was Transplant advocates, who form prepared to recognize brain death a steadily increasing number of so long as the patient's family also Japanese physicians, say that it accepts it. Similarly, the council makes no sense for a country as said that organ transplants now would be allowed, again on the sophisticated as Japan to deny itself life-saving procedures that are routine elsewhere. assumption that such operations are agreed to by donors in advance, or by their families.

Opponents, including many sur-geons, counter that patients rights may be abused by overzealous The prescribed criteria for brain death include deep coma, a flat brain wave, loss of spontaneous transplant specialists, an argument that is especially persuasive in a breathing functions and loss of country where attending physicians tend to act imperiously, offerbrain stem reflexes. Physicians other than the transplant surgeon must ing their patients little information. determine that brain function has Complicating the issue are tradiceased, and their conclusion must tional Japanese beliefs that the be reaffirmed six hours later, the

council said.

Japanese Panel Redefines Death

Even so, the medical group's action is not likely to end the dispute. Several medical and legal groups said Wednesday that they still were opposed to transplants and would resist them.

genual carmac disease. The recipient lived with that heart for nearly U.S. Navy Plane three months. But another physician brought And a Soviet Jet

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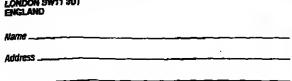
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Cycling in a Southern Climate.

If winter threatens to bring bicycling to a halt at home, enthusiasts can spin off to join one of the guided cycling trips offered during the northern winter in various parts of the world. Backroads Bicycle Touring (Post Office Box 1626, San Leandro, California 94577) offers two interesting expeditions: to Bali, a 12-day, \$1,295 trip departing from Los Angeles March 6, which begins at the Bali Hyatt, then pedals into the countryside to temples such as Pura Taman Ayun and Pura Madowe Karang lakes such as Bratan and Batur, over mountain passes and down to black sand beaches; to Tasmania, a 12-day, \$1,195 such as Bratan and Batur, over mountain passes and down to black sand beaches; to Taismania, a 12-day, \$1,195 jaunt leaving Feb. 11. In New Zealand, the Vermont Ricycle Touring (Post Office Box 711. Bristol, Vermont) offers a 21-day trip that covers rolling countryside and the southern Alps. The price: \$1,895. Cycle Tours (2007 39th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50310) offers a 16-day, \$1,365 trip to the west coast of North Island, leaving Jan. 25 or Feb. 8. All prices are exclusive of air fares.

Baby Carriages on Spanish Trains

The Spanish national railway system, Renfe, has set
up playrooms for toddless, complete with child care staff,
our several trains running between major cities. Each train has a special compartment converted into a playroom equipped with small seesaws, a slide, toys, stuffed animals and games. The children can be in the playroom the whole length of the trip. The service, which is free, is available to parents with children under 4 on express trains between Madrid and Cadiz, Madrid and Barcelona, Madrid and Alicante and the run from Barcelona to Seville and on to Malaga. Those trips range from six to nine

In Search of a Real Winter



winter, dog sledding, snowshoe trekking, igloo-making and cross-country ski racing are available in the United States and Europe. Cross-country skiing in a big-time race in Finland is open to novices, who can enter the 15th annual Finlandia Cross Country Ski Race, to be run Feb. 28. The 27-mile event starts on a frozen lake near the town of Hameenlina and ends in Lahti, about 70 miles north of Helsanki. Entry for the event costs \$70. Snow-shoe trekking in Switzerland (snow permitting) led by a guide named Fredy Schwab goes across the slopes of the Franches Montagnes range in the Jura. His tours include six days of trakking as a thank a six days of trakking as a thank as in the six days of trakking as a thank as in the six days of trakking as a thank as in the six days of trakking as a thank as in the six days of trakking as a thank as in the six days of trakking as a thank as in the six days of trakking as a thank as in the six days of trakking as a thank as in the six days of trakking as a share six days of the six days chide six days of trekking on showshoes, with a dogsled carrying equipment. Schwab also offers separate trips of four or five days that include lessons on how to build and survive in igloos. The cost is \$560 for snowshocing and \$320 for the igloo trips. For information contact Aben-teuer-Reisen Schwab, 8132 Egg, Switzerland; tel: 984-0966. Dogsledding in the northeast is offered by Konari Outlitters of Vergennes. Vermont, which runs daylong and overnight dog-sledding and cross-country ski trips in Vermont, upstate New York or Maine. The overnight trips range from three to five days. The cost of a day trip is \$85. Overnight trips run from \$395 to \$525. Contact Rural Delivery 1, Post Office Box 441B, Vergennes, Vermont 05491; tel: (802) 759-2100.

Kremlin Churches Restored

Three churches at the Kremlin have been restored as part of a project to give Mossow a face lift by the end of the century, according to the Soviet press agency Tass. The cathedrals of the Assumption, the Amuniciation and the Archangel Michael inside the Kreinlin have been given a fresh look by renovators from a state-run company, Soyuzrestavratsiya. Completion of the renovations was timed to coincide with the 1,000th anniversary this year of the arrival of Christianity in Russia. The director of the restoration company, Alexander Lesovoy, said that more than \$1.5 billion would be allocated for overhauling Moscow's architectural monuments and landmarks by the year 2000. Many Muscovites have called recently for better conservation of their city's historical monuments and have objected to some construction projects that would harm existing buildings. This year restoration will begin on buildings of the Levin Library and a mansion that belonged to the Cratist-era millionaire Savva Morozov, who made contributions to the Bolsheviks. The Bolshoi Theater, too, will close this spring for restoration. The opers and ballet will perform elsewhere until work is completed, which is expect to take at least two years.

Me and You and the Dog Came Too

The dog may be man's best friend, but have you ever tried to book yourself and your best friend into a hotel?
Robert and Dawn Habgood have, at places all over New England. And they have compiled the results into Traveling With Man's Best Friend," a 280-page guide to hundreds of inns, hotels, motels, bed and breakfasts and resorts that welcome pets. The book, which costs \$10.95, is the second in a series. The first book covered California and an updated version is planned. Each is available from the publishers, Dawbert Press, Post Office Box 2758, Duxbury, Massachusetts 02331.

Celebrating a Viking Invasion

In days of old the sighting of a Viking longboat off the coast of England was cause for panic and a call to arms. Now the city of York, which used to have to fight off the invaders, celebrates the coming of the Norsemen with a festival. With a fireworks display from Clifford's Tower in the heart of York, the fourth annual Jorvik Viking Festival begins a monthlong party on Jan. 30. Sprinkled about the program are such events as races of long ships. sword fights in the streets, concerts, dramas, feasts, a torchlit procession and, as a finale, a boat burning on the

Arts at the Winter Olympics

H. The Winter Olympics in Calgary, Alberta, from Feb. 13 to 28, won't be all ski jumps and bobsledding. An Olympics Arts Festival will be held in Calgary Jan. 23 to Feb. 28, with more than 600 performances and exhibitions. "La Tragedie de Carmen," produced by Peter Brook, will be performed at the University Theater from Feb. 17 to 23, and the Shaw Festival will present "You Never Can Tell" at the Max Bell Theater from Feb. 23 to 27. The opening night gala will present the Calgary
Philharmonic playing a newly commissioned work and the
Canadian-born planist Oscar Peterson playing his own composition, "Olympic Jazz Suite." The Juilliard String Quartet will perform at the Jack Singer Concert Hall on Feb. 1. Other events include an Olympic Film Festival, Feb. 5 to 11, and works by the Josfrey Ballet, the National Ballet of Canada and Les Grands Ballets Canadiens.

Kilimanjaro, Three Miles Into Sky

by Donald Stroetzel

T is two and a half hours after midnight, Tanzanian time. In the light of the full moon lighting our climb, we can look down on the lofty peaks of Kenya's mountains poking up through lay-ered clouds in the far distance. We are more than three miles into the sky, almost as high as jet liners cruise, and higher at that moment than any of the millions of people on the African continent. Perhaps somewhere in Switzerland a mountaineer is climbing Mont Blanc or the Matterborn. But even he or she will be no higher than we, working our way up 19,324-foot Mount Kilimanjaro. It is Africa's highest peak, and we have never climbed a mountain before.

Scaling the jagged Mawenzi, the lower of Kilimanjaro's twin peaks, is a risky technical climb that, the week before, had claimed the life of a young Austrian. But ascending the rounded higher peak, Kibo, requires no knowledge of mountaineering no special gear. Each year hundreds of people tackle this mountain via the gentle Marangu trail. A 50-mile walk up and back, it is nowhere steeper than San Francisco's Nob Hill. "The summit can be reached by any reasonably fit person who enjoys walking," says one guidebook. By "anyone under 70 with good lungs, fit enough to walk 12 miles a day," says another. Even cantious Abercrombie & Kent, one of the companies offering the Kilimanjaro climb as a safari add-on, insists only that you see your doctor before signing up to ascertain your tolerance for exercise in thin air.

My wife and I are two no-longer-young Connecticut suburbanites who play a little tennis, walk, and bike sporadically. We love adventure, hut we also want odds against mishap to be at least 1,000 to 1. We found ourselves pulled irresistibly to the prospect of actually scaling the mountain that had so fascinated Ernest Hemingway. "And there, ahead," he had written,

. as wide as all the world, great, high, and unbelievably white in the sun, was the square top of Kilimanjaro," When the Swiss missionary Johann Rebmann reported in 1848 seeing a "beautiful snow mountain" 180 miles inland from the Indian Ocean, members of Britain's Royal Geographical Society gulfain's Royal Geographical Geographical Society gulfain's Royal Geographical Ge there possibly be snow, three degrees south of the Equator? The local Chagga tribe believed evil spirits would kill anyone who tried to scale it. But in 1889, a German geologist, Hans Meyer, made it to the sulfur-leaking volcanic crater and glistening glaciers atop Kilimanjaro's Kibo peak. And now we would follow in his foot-

On our doctor's insistence, we each took and passed electrocardiograph tests (strid-ing uphili on a treadmill) to satisfy him that our hearts could withstand the stress of reaches.

IGNING for a seven-day Kilimanja-ro climb added \$76g apiece to the cost of our Kenya-Tanzania safari. For the first and last days the package included meals and room with bath at the Kibo Hotel, near the entrance gate at Kilimanjaro National Park, where the climb begins at about 6,100 feet. For the trek itself (31/2 days up, 11/2 down), we were to get hearty meals cooked over wood fires plus bunks in trailside A-frame huts on which to lay our sleeping hags. To cut firewood, do the cooking, tote provisions and clothing and keep us going with words of encourage-ment, our deal included the exclusive services of two guides and three porters.

Onr great adventure began with a bumpy, half-day Land-Rover ride from the kenya game preserve of Amboseli. A tented camp or lodge at Amboseli is a great departure point, for it affords excellent opportunities to photograph Kilimanjaro with elephants, giraffes or your spouse in the foreground. Alternatively, one can fly directly Wilmers and Alternatively. directly to Kilimanjaro International Airport, a 40-minute drive from your base-camp hotel. There are two flights weekly

from Nairobi, Kenya, and two daily from Tanzania's capital, Dar es Salaam. Less frequently, European carriers fly in directly or connect with Ethiopian Airline flights at Addis Ababa Your starting place for the climb is either

the Marango or Kibo Hotel, set amid man-go and banana trees at the southern base of the mountain. The Kibo, where we stayed, had the look of a large Alpine pension weathered by the tropics.

Posted in each room is a notice from the Kilimanjaro National Park. Don't be alarmed, it says, if you get some headaches, nausca and vomiting at high altitudes. They're normal. But beware of the infrequent but potentially fatal pulmonary edema that comes from too much exercise in thin air. The symptoms: dry cough and bloodstained sputum; raling chest noises; lips, nose, tongue and ears turning blue. The hulletin's advice: "Walk at a steady pace, stick to the recommended climbing schedule, drink four to six liters of water daily, do not weaken yourself by carrying for weaker memhers of the party . . . "

German and Austrian guests who had elimbed Kilimanjaro before affirmed that muscle tone matters little in the adjustment to high altitude. Indeed, the first person to climh Everest without oxygen, Reinhold Messner, had trained on Kilimanjaro.

Our first evening at the Kibo, the hotel manager was reassuring. "You've brought the right clothing," he said: shorts and sleeveless shirts for the lower reaches: sweaters, long underwear, ski clothes and

mittens for up high. (The hotel rents sleeping bags and hikers' poles.) EXT morning we were awakened by the bell for 6:30 Mass at the

little Roman Catholic church across the dirt road from the hotel. Just after breakfast we met the five young Chag-gas who would shepherd us. "Jambo, mama, jambo, papa," said Likuli, our chief guide, using the Swahili word for welcome. In his early 20s, a short, wiry veteran of more than 100 climbs, he wore a jaunty beret and carried a battery-powered transistor radio that would have delighted any New York subway noise polluter. In very passable English, be introduced Millard, our assistant guide, and the three porters who would carry provisions and clothing on their heads in great red duffel bags that were supposed to weigh no more than 30 pounds but often did.

"We look after you very good," Likuli said. "Just be sure you go pole, pole." Pronounced poley, it means slowly in Swahili. It was to be our marching song, our edge on youth, our alihi for taking hours more than the norm on each day of the climb, for the slower the pace the easier the altitude adjustment. We lunched that first day on beef sand-

wiches, hard-boiled eggs and bananas, while sitting astride giant roots overhang-ing a tumbling waterfall. A trailside sign told us we were an hour and a haif from Mandara but, our stopover for the night. We took a more relaxed two hours. Mandara, at 8.493 feet, is actually not

one but but a cluster: a rustic A-frame chalet with sawhorse-supported dining tachalet with sawhorse-supported dining ta-hles, surrounded by 8-by-8-foot A-frames where you sleep on double-decker wooden

hunks carved with graffiti like "Hans, El-len, and Frank, 8/3/86." (Expect to be assigned roommates if any of the four bunks are empty). There were perhaps 40 elimbers at tea and later at dinner, about half of them members of a Zurich hiking We awoke to a beautiful crisp morning and stood in line to brush our teeth in an

outside sink fed by water from a monntain It was hard to go anything but slowly over the next half-hour of climbing, steeper than earlier. The great roots and vines served as grippers for pulling overselves upward. Then, suddenly, where the altitude

could no longer support rain forest, we were in gently rising moorland dotted with giant heather trees up to 30 feet tall. Violets, the delicate orange-red impatiens kili-manjari and other wildflowers filled the spaces between the great clumps of grass that became our stepping stones. Just ahead loomed jagged Mawenzi, its hrown turned gold under the sun's rays. Still miles beyond, topping the upward-sloping plateau we would be climbing, was Kibo, with its skulleap of snow. Would we make it to

top? Or perhaps even walk up another 700 feet over glaciers to look down the volcano's mouth, at Uhuru peak? About three quarters of the climbers make it to the top, we had heard. But from those we met, it was a very fit majority, mostly veteran alpine hikers, not your run-of-Central-Park Sunday strollers.

At about 11.000 feet we were beginning to feel the altitude. Breathing took more effort. Walking along, recounting our impressions on the tape recorder, we sounded out-of-breath on the playback.

HE recommended time to Horombo hut is five hours. We took seven. At La Paz, Bolivia, the highest large city in the world, we camped for the night. Cold in our sleeping bags, we got up to put on warmups over our pajamas. We slept fitfully; again, part of the altitude adjustment.

There was ice on the fringes of the stream that morning, and the ground was frozen hard. Starting out on our eight-mile hike to Kibo hut, we encountered lobelias and groundsels grown to giant toughness to cope with Kilimanjaro's stresses. At times, winding our way over hillsides,

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Teotitlán, Mexico: Town of 5,000 Weavers

by Betty Freudenheim

HE cacti, dwarf trees and small farm plots that dot the vast plateau of the Mexican state of Oaxaca create subtle harmonies of green and ocher right up to the jagged gray profile of the Sierra Madre. As the Pan American Highway traces an unswerving black line across this high plain, a blue signpost overhead indicates, by a pattern of white lines symbolizing interwoven threads, the turnoff for Teotitlan del Valle. The name means "God-place of the Valley," but it is locally known as the town of 5,000 weavers.

For centuries in Teotitian and throughout the region, lessons in weaving and spinning have been a part of childhood. In the nearby village of Santo To-más, women and children make belts and small purses; their shuttles form intricate patterns on simple backstrap looms, con-sisting of warp threads tied to trees at one end and, at the other, around the waist of the weaver. In Oaxaca, weavers produce brightly colored tablecloths and bedspreads on broad wooden looms. The shawls with knotted fringes, called rebo-zos, that are woven in Mitla do double duty throughout the country as head pads on which women balance loads of all kinds, as when they take vegetables to market. Teotitlán's reputation once rest-ed on its traditional woolen scrapes, handwoven by men; today the men weave rugs for tourists and export while the women do the spinning.

Teotitlán's main street, Avenida Juárez, will awaken any driver who has been mesmerized by the monotony of the asphalt highway. The rock-studded dirt road twists like a dry river bed as it ascends the hillside. Behind high adobe walls with large wooden gates are the weavers' bomes.

door weaving market (open from 10 to 5 daily), provides an overview of the work produced hy local artisans. Dozens of rugs hang from the bare wooden beams; others are stacked on tables or folded on the floor. The interplay of brilliantly col-ored yarns creates a fiesta atmosphere. It is appropriate that these rugs are displayed as wall hangings rather than walked on. As in Renaissance tapestries, the woven designs are often re-creations

of famous works of art. In some there is a strong influence of the heritage of the region. Tourists who have visited the nearby 2,000-year-old ruins of the palace at Mitla will recognize the dramatic stone facade's geometric motifs worked in red and black yarns. Other weavers have recreated the codices or carvings of Yucatán, which serve as illustrated histories of pre-Hispanic Mexico.

Artisans striving for a more popular

appeal have borrowed from modern art. Copies of Matisse's blue paper cutouts are ubiquitous, although the figures dif-fer slightly with each translation into yarn. Versions of Joan Miro's paintings in primary hues hang nearby. There are also variations on M.C. Escher's rows of fish profiles that metamorphose into stylized hirds and then back to fish. Rugs with multicolored stripes might have been inspired by the American minimal-

ist painter Kenneth Noland -- or be by

One basic characteristic distinguishes these European tapestries. In traditional, European-style work, the back of the tapestry is covered with rivulets of loose thread ends, left hanging after each yarn ehange. The serape convention prevails: Every new thread is woven into the cloth. As a result, one side is the mirror image of the other, so the weaving can be re-

Prices vary according to size and the complexity of the design. Simple 3-hy-5-foot rugs (about 90 hy 150 centimeters) may cost less than \$20. A more intricate pattern of the same size, requiring 15 or more days of work, might cost \$100. Immense, room-size works of art that occupy a weaver for two to three months will probably cost more than \$1,000. Prices for small rugs, especially those sold at the weekly markets of villages around Teotitlán, are negotiable. Roberta French, the U.S. consul in Oaxaca, who is also a weaver, advises shoppers not to worry about making an offer that is too low. "You never pay too little," she said. "They know what the bottom price

For those who want to see the work in progress, a knock at almost any gate in town should gain admission to weavers' homes. From the central courtyard — the hub of activity in every home - open doorways provide partial views of looms, spinning wheels, dye pots and cooking. The sounds of chickens, radio music and chatting voices are hushed as the visitor enters, but the rhythmic counterpoint of the looms continues in the background,

In the courtyard, several generations of women, grouped together, card fleeces to untangle the fibers or spin yarn on large wheels. One area is set apart for dyeing.

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The tapestries of the weaver Isaac Vásquez. A first stop at Hidalgo, a covered out-

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'Maxing Out' on Jargon: A Guide to What It Means

by Roger Collis

HEN it comes to jargon, the world of travel can more than hold its own in the blitz of neoloy gisms, cuphemisms and acronyms from the big league players in husiness and bureausers. and bureaucracy. According to Stanley Zilch, director of semantics at Blue Skies Research Institute in Broken Springs. Colorado, "Travelspeak is now recognized as a legitimate force in bizspeak. Along with computerspeak it has become a seminal influence among jargon junkies everywhere."

More often than not travelspeak is pompous, otiose and baffling; sometimes it is expressive useful and fun. The Frequent Traveler "Best Epithet of 1987" award goes to a girl from Denver whom I met on a train tour of the Scottish Highlands. "My credit card has 'maxed out'." she announced (whether with relief or anguish it was hard to tell) after a shopping trip.

As in bizspeak, travelspeak hreaks travelers into "target groups." There was a time when marketing people defined this in demographic terms (such as business travelers aged 15 to 55 who make 3.5 sbort-haul trips agent 15 to 55 who make 3.5 sbortmonth). Nowadays, they talk about consum-er motivation or "psychographics" (life-styles) which may take into account "aspirational undercurrents," or hidden dreams.

American Express has identified four categories of independent travelers who share contemporary values. These are: "adventurers" (the young up-and-coming, who backpacked at college and look for immersion in oew cultures); "elitists" (older and more affluent, who travel all year round to less traditional tourist centers); "gray pan-thers" (the affluent retired who have the time, mooey and inclination to take long vacations) and "business extenders" (frequent business travelers who like to extend

their trip by adding on a few days vacation). Princess Cruises (part of the P&O group) in Londoo has clearly defined the target groups for "fly/sail/cruise" packages. Says David Dingle, the London-based marketing director, "We're aiming to attract both 'dinkies' (dual income no kids yuppies) and 'woopies' (well-off older people)."

When you've decided which hat you're wearing, the next step is to exolain to the

wearing, the next step is to explain to the travel agent. If you're looking for a cut-price ticket, your best het might be a "bucket shop" (an unlicensed agent) although any good IATA-appointed agent will be able (if not always willing) to give you a discount on an official IATA tariff. Officially approved discount or "promotional" fares have names like PEX and SUPERPEX (bookable up to departure) APEX (advanced purchase), and a raft of come-on, or "deep discount" fares which means that the three seats available at

this price are sold out by the time you book. Your travel agent will call up fares and flights on his CRS, or computerized reserva- and other "dedicated" facilities such as air-

hility of selling seats oo planes but to book hotels, car rentals, trains and other travel services. CRSs are a powerful marketing tool and major source of revenue for airlines that and major source of revenue for airnines that can charge others a helty fee to have their fares and flights listed. Each airline tries to install its own CRS exclusively in travel agents' offices. Battle has been joined between the giant U.S. CRSs, APOLLO (United Airlines) and SABRE (American) and two nearly formed possortia in Europe GA. two newly formed consortia in Europe, GA-LILEO (British Airways, Swissair, Austrian, KLM and Alitalia - the latter, according to scuttlebut in the trade, being attracted by the name) and AMADEUS (Air France, SAS, Lufthansa and Iberia). Three airlines in the Asia-Pacific regioo (Cathay Pacific, Thai and Singapore Airlines) recently announced a oew regional consortium called ABACUS.

The bot issue for travelers is "CRS bias."

This results from the competitive advantage enjoyed by the "host carrier" to favor its own flights. It can take several forms: For example, "screen padding" by a host carrier, "dual listing" the same flight; "code-sharing" (displaying a connection that involves a change of plane — or a change of "gauge" to a feeder line — as a through or direct flight by giving it one flight oumber. Be aware that direct does not necessarily mean non-stop). You may not know all the answers but it can pay to ask the right questions ("Oh, by the way, are any fifth freedom carriers flying this route?") "Fifth freedom" is when the airline of one country has the right to carry passengers between other countries, for example, if

gers between other countries, for example, if you were to fly Air Lanka between London and Zurich (a flight that might oot be listed oo the CRS of your agent in London).

If you fly business class, you are a "high yield" passenger. This means that you are a "non-discretionary" traveler, paying top dollar for a flexible ticket and a few frills. Sooner or later, you will be a victim of "involuntary denied boarding," or "bump-ing." This is jargon for what happens when you are refused a seat on a flight for which you have an "O.K." or confirmed reservation. It is a penalty imposed by the airline for the right to "no show" (oot to turn up for a flight on which you are booked). Every airline overbooks to compensate for the 15 to 20 percent of no shows. This is the work of airlines' "yield managers" whose job is to maximize "load factors," or the ratio of seats

filled.

Business class is a semantic jungle all its own. Take your pick from "Pacific" (Air New Zealand), "Marco Polo" (Cathay Pacific). "First Business Class" (SAS), "Preference Class" (Iberia), "Navigator Class Top Executive" (Air Portugal), "Gold Class" [South African Airways), "Ambassador Class" 100t to be confused with "Royal Ambassador," first class on TWA) and "Upper Class" (Virgin Atlantic).

Class" (Virgin Atlantic). You can expect "dedicated" cabins (curtaioed-off sections of the economy cabin), tions system. These are airline databanks port lounges, all with varying degrees of that provide agents not only with the capadedication, but that's another story.

An Architect's Dream in San Francisco

by Paul Goldberger

OHN PORTMAN is perhaps the best-known hotel architect in the world. His Hyatt Regency in Atlanta, completed in 1967, was the first postwar hotel with a central atrium, and it changed the nature of hotels everywhere, replacing the banal boxes of the Hiltons and Sheratons with the Portman trademarks of vast atrium spaces, fountains and glass-enclosed

Portman spent the 1970s designing one hotel after another — each one, it seemed, higger and showier than the one before. But his real dream, he had said for a long time, was to design a hotel that would free him from the stereotype of the architect as producer of extravaganzas; it would prove that be could design a small luxury hotel, a building that would rank as a serious work of architecture as well as set new stan-

dards for botelkeeping. Thus was the Portman Hotel in San Francisco born. Portman developed this 348-room luxury hotel and put his name oo the door as a signal to the world that be had something in him besides huge glitzy hotels with enormous atriums and rows and rows of glass elevators. The Portman does oot bave a huge atrium and rows and rows of glass elevators. It does have a small atrium and

only four glass elevators.

So the first surprise is that the \$100 million Portman, which was built to compete with San Francisco's smaller, elegant botels such as the Huntington, the Four Seasons Clift and the Mandarin, does not look as different from other Portman-designed hotels as it was supposed to. But it does not look the same, either. This 21-story building is a miniature version of the Portman formula, made considerably more opulent thanks to luxurious materials and considerably better workmanship.

The second surprise - and this comes from a critic who has come to view most of Portman's signature elements as overworked cliches by now - is that it is really oot bad. The Portman is oot the profound work of architecture that Portman set out to design, and it does prove that he is something of a Johnny one-note. But for all that, this botel is a surprisingly pleasing building to be in, with unusually comfortable and well-designed rooms as well as personal valet service on each floor.

HE hotel works best from the inside out. The rooms are the best thing of all, and the pub-lic areas and the atrium are the next best. The exterior of brick and cast stone in a constantly repeating motif

of arches is the most disappointing part of the design — Portman was trying to evolve out of these arches piled upon arches a kind of contemporary classicism, but the result, unfortunately, manages to look both fussy and clunky at the same time. Given that most people spend a lot more time in their hotel rooms than out oo the sidewalk contemplating the facade, however, the fact that the rooms are more graceful than the overall architecture is a better state of affairs than if it were the other way around. The success of the interiors is particularly impressive sinceit bespeaks an earnest concern about

the way in which hotel rooms work.

The rooms are decorated in a kind of soft, sensuous Modernism. There are no hard edges — lots of carpet-ing, lots of wood, marble and gran-ite. It is a bit corporate in tone oothing is on the cutting edge aesthetically, but nothing is dowdy or tired, either. There are exceedingly handsome desks and sideboards of wood and granite that make it clear Portman has not missed the current vogue for the work of the early Modernists Josef Hoffmann and Charles Rennie Mackintosh, and headboards that might be called amiable, discreet exercises in Post-Modernism. The walls are decorated with reproductions of 18th-century architectural prints of classical mouls and contemporary collages of marbleized Italian papers and metallic varn. Most of the windows are semicircular, a shape that is unusually gracious from within, even though the pattern yielded by dozens of semicircles on the outside is prissy in

The rooms vary in size, and sever-al are on the small side. But they all have exceptionally lavish bathrooms of brown marble, with splendid littings - enormous pedestal sinks. ample shelving, gracefully curving bathtub rails, well-positioned and well-lighted mirrors, and, in almost every case, glass-enclosed stall show-

While the hotel is lavishly staffed with concierges, bellmen and the like, the major selling point is personal valet service on each guestroom floor. Each valet, who has charge of seven rooms, uopacks luggage, brings guests tea upon check-in, delivers newspapers and pack-ages, presses clothing, shines shoes and keeps rooms tidy in between the visits of the chambermaid.

It is a system that works remark-ably well. There were occasional slip-ups during my visit. A Federal Express package mysteriously disap-peared after the concierge's call to announce its arrival, and two hours passed before the valet delivered it. Oo another occasion, shoes left out for the valet to shine at night were

not returned by his replacement on the morning shift, and until they were found 20 minutes after my phone call, I contemplated whether I would rather be late for a meeting or head for the financial district in my

But many other requests were handled graciously and rapidly. The valets who served the floor were courteous and unohirusive, respectful of guests' privacy and yet quick to respond whenever one pushed the call button in the room. The valets keep out of sight unless called.

In a gesture that may be appreciated by even more visitors than the personal valet system, the hotel has a flexible check-out system. Departing guests are asked when they expect to leave and what sort of transportanion service they may require, and incoming guests are asked their ex-pected arrival time. Guests who leave between 4 and 6 P.M. are charged an additional 50 percent of the daily room rate; after 6 P.M. an additional day's charge is made, but guesis may leave at whatever hour they wish.

The hotel which has a fleet of Rolls-Royces to pick up guests at the airport, also offers two-line telehones in each room as well as 24hour room service with food of exceptionally high quality for a hotel. The style is what is generally known as California nouvelle cuisine, and it is oot inexpensive: Typical à la carte entrées run from grilled squab for SI t at lunch to posched Norwegian salmon with clams for \$22 at dinner.

There is one restaurant, the Portman Grill off the main lobby, a comfortable and simple space that uses to advantage the lights, sculpture and architectural decoration of the atrium. There is also a separate bar. an informal club-style room with outdoor deck on the top floor of the hotel, and a business conference center. The one amenity the Portman lacks, that one would expect in a new hotel of this quality, is a fitness center: the hotel, however, says it can arrange for guests to use nearby facilities.

OR all the pleasure the ser-vice at the Portman brings. ooe inevitably comes back to the architecture — if only because John Portman's name is so intimately connected with hotel design, and because he himself has billed this botel as his arblest effort. The truth is that the hotel, as a building, is not the epoch-making event that Port-man's original Hyart Regency in Atlanta was, and neither is it the subtle exercise in classicism that Portman's press agents claim it is. The hotel is Portman's standard formula, this time rendered in materials of the highest quality, with none of the harshness of Portman's huge com-



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The atrium's sculpture is "Joie de Dance" by Elbert Weinberg.

mercial hotels, and brought down to a buman scale that is absent in Portmao's gargantuan projects such as the Marriott Marquis in New York.

By now the idea of the atrium has become so intimately coonected with huge convention hotels like the Marriott and others that it is puzzliog wby Portman chose to repeat it bere: The signal it sends is big and commercial, not small and luxurious. The result is a building that has a kind of divided personality — one

part formal lush decorum and one part bombast. Its halves do not quite connect to make a coherent work of architecture - for all that genuine, and sometimes spectacular, pleasure that staying at the Portman can En-

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we could see no other burnans. The guides, respectiog our privacy, kept well behind us, periodically catching up to make sure we were all right. The porters pushed oo ahead once again.

hanging roof. Like thirsty desert and vegetable soup, we slipped into our sleeping bags in a dormitory room of double-decker bunks.

HOULD we attempt the fing rhythm our bodies could tolerso they could have fires and bot tea ready when we arrived at Kibo. Suddenly, rounding a hill, we were on moonscape, the saddle between Mawenzi and Kibo. An alpine desert, it is strewn with great volcanohurled boulders, some weighing hundreds of tons. More and more, we felt the altitude. A bone-wearioess, the beginnings of dull bead-

step was an effort. The last thou-sand feet, up a 15-degree incline, seemed like five miles.

The tea and biscuits awaiting us at the unheated Kibo hut, 15,557 Finally, as we labored over yet feet, helped relieve the freezing another hill, we could make out the hut a mile or so up — a little stone ming to feel. About 7 P.M., after ortress of a building with an over- downing an early dinner of beef

HOULD we attempt the fi-oal ascent? It was scheduled Actually, we could not have bur-ried if we had wanted to. For we moonlight. By thus starting in were nearing that 15,000-foot level darkness, one could see the sunrise beyond which our safari leader in from Gilman's Point and have time Kenya bad warned us that "man is oot only to go on to Uruhu Peak oot designed to function." Every step was an effort. The last thousand feet, up a 15-degree incline, go that long climb and hike. Yet we have come this far. Reaching the top has become an obsession. We would have to at least give it a try.

It was the right decision, for what followed was the whipped cream on our adventure sundae. Awakened at midnight by Likuli, we layered atop winter underwear all our other cold-weather gear and started up the trail, joined by our guides and a dozen other hikers and their chaggas. We were elected to lead the way, not because the others discerned hidden qualities of leadership but out of deference to our years.

Never had our bodies seemed so ture of our lives. unresponsive. Even to lean down and ue a shoelace was great effort.

ing rhythm our bodies could tolerate, we tried advancing 25 paces, then stopped momentarily to rest. Encouraged, we tried 35. Still tolerable. But 50 was too many. We were exhausted. Someone else would have to lead. We dropped

Finally, at about 17,000 feet, we had had enough of the hardest work of our lives, and we decided to head down. Had we taken an extra day at Horombo hut we probably would have adjusted enough to the altitude to have communed on

to the top.

Working our way slowly down,
to slide on the voltaking care not to slide on the vol-canic gravel, we felt not disappointment but an inner elation. We had put our bodies to the severest of tests and not found them wanting: a confidence builder for the years to come. And we were alive and well to tell our children and grandchildren about the greatest adven-

The trail, clearly lighted by the full lives in Connecticus. He wrote this moon, zigzagged to reduce the for The New York Times.

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A Restaurant Family: Bistro, Post-Nouvelle

look-forward to m 1988? A single family of Parisian restaurateurs gives a concise response, conve-typifying current dining trends in Their two restaurants are pretty well between bistro and post-nonvelle, sine and style offering a bit of what Flooking for today.

E Faucher family story is an unusual is Some years ago Gerard Faucher and inced to his father, Raymond, that the least mear business would not be a father-

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on affair. Gerard was going to become a

My son wouldn't follow me, so I followed m," laughed Raymond, who four years ago traded his hutcher's apron for a chef's toque, and took over Le Caméléon, a funky neighschood bistro in Montparnasse. As a meat polesaler, the senior Faucher had supplied eat to Le Caméléon's previous owner. "I supplier, client, friend, and finally suche notes.

The Cameleon is one of my favorite recent finds. Although the menu includes the litany of standard bistro fare — salade frisce, steak, rte aux pointnes — it also offers many magnative and surprising specialties. The food sort of sparkles with freshness, and there's a wealth of salads. There is a warm lade de queue de boeuf, a giant mound of perfectly moist, well-seasoned shredded oxthis set on a bed of curly endive and radiochio, as well as mixed salads topped with lardons and a posched egg, or with meltingly tender duck gizzards, or gently grilled crottins of goat cheese.

My favorite main course here is the morue à la provençale, à warm blend of sait cod and tomatoes, served with aioli, a super-garlicky mayonnaise, and tender, boiled potatoes. And don't leave without trying the classic tendrons de veau, a superb veal stew served with fresh pasta, or the fine apple tart, with a good, flaky crust and a sprinkling of sugar

The limited wine list includes some good buys, including Alphonse Mellot's Sancerre, Jean-Marie Penet's gamay de Touraine, and a-good Saumur Champigny. Most of the rines are priced at less than 100 francs.

The crowd at Le Cameléon is distinctively

democratic; mailmen and bank presidents. gray-haired matrons and blue-jeaned students sit convivially side by side.

No one comes here for the decor. The floral wallpaper could give you a headache, and the dining room appears to be outfitted with castoffs from grandma's attic. But Jacqueline Faucher is a warm, gentle hostess, ing. The menu is not a carbon copy of so many others, but offers some new, wellconceived specialties.

Entering this restaurant is a bit like leaving Paris while staying within its boundaries. Pretty china and fresh flowers are mingled with antique points, rustic armoires and Oriental rugs. The personal touch is everywhere, including the handkerchief-sized kitchen, where Gerard continues to turn out modern,

imaginative, light French fare.
His minestrone, on a recent visit, was a vibrantly flavored blend of scallops and oysters, a soup that offered a beautiful marriage of ocean flavors mixed with a touch of pasta and Raymond seems to have the kitchen under control. This is a place to return to time and again.

As the senior Fauchers went about their

career changes, Gérard and his wife, Nicole continued to improve and embellish Gérard er Nicole, the restaurant in country-auberge style they began in the mid-1970s, when nouvelle cuisine was at its peak.

When people ask "Whatever happened to nouvelle cuisine?" I send them to places like this. Gérard Faucher's cuisine is a textbook example of how the best of nouvelle cuisine is evolving. His food is pretty but not fussy. Portions are substantial hot not overwhelm-

The crowd at Le Caméléon is distinctively democratic: mailmen and bank presidents.

and tiny cubed vegetables in a heavenly

. Equally appealing were the tournedos de lotte bardés de jamboo fumé, chunks of monkfish wrapped in paper-thin slices of delicately smoked ham and served with a healthy portion of fresh green fava beans. Monkfish and bacon are a classie combination, but it's a dish that rarely comes off well, for the smokiness and saltiness of the bacon tends to overwhelm the firm but delicately flavored monkfish. Here, the lightly-flavored ham serves as a perfect companion.

Other good bets include the filet de barbue la montarde ancienne, hrill bathed in whole-grain mustard sauce, and the ravioli de chèvre - ravioli filled with goat cheese. The dish may oot have a very polished look, but it rewards the palate with fine flavors and textures.

I'm less enthusiastic about the pastries a trio of amateurish fruit tarts and an overbearing licorice ice cream - but this remains a spot to recommend for a quiet, romantie dinner in the city.

Le Caméléon, 6 Rue de Chevreuse, Paris 6; tel: 43.20.63.43. Closed Sunday and Monday. No credit cards. About 150 francs a person,

including wine and service,
Gérard et Nicole, 6 Avenue Jean Moulin,
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Shatin: Hong Kong's Urban Showcase

by Fred Ferretti

HATIN, Hong Kong — Ten years ago Shatin was a quiet patch of farmland in Hong Kong's New Territories, with water buffalo pulling plows through geometric acres of rice pad-dies and fishermen's cottages along the Shing Mun River. It was an evocation of rural China, even though it was only 10 miles oorth of the teeming city of Kowloon, sepa-rated from Hong Kong's busiest district by the steep Lion Rock Hills.

Today it is the most energetic of Hong Kong's so-called new towns, a city of mure than 300,000 people that is expected to grow to 500,000 within a decade. There are forests of 40-story high-rises with highways, viaducts and overpasses crisscrossing about them, a new 17-story hotel, shopping plazas and mails, dozens of restaurants, even a race track. What had been virtually vacant countryside has become an urban showcase amply demonstrating the British crown colony's singular energy and its ability to expand and grow swiftly.

Shatin is a place of parks, urban plazas, cinemas and branches of Japanese department stores, a weekend getaway for the people of Kowloon — 10 minutes away hy train and a growing tourist destination.

Perhaps more significant, however, is that Shatin provides what is possibly a view of the Hong Koog of the future, because it sits in the New Territories, the 350 square miles of land between Hong Kong proper and the border of China that are the subject of immediate concern in negotiations on ending the British lease on the colony. The lease expires in June 1997. The New Territories are on a 99-year lease signed in 1898. Hong Kong Island and Kowlono were leased in perpetuity, but in fact the lease terms have come to include the entire colooy. Many Hong Kong residents believe that, in the years leading to the end of the lease, and immediately thereafter, Hong Koog's expansion lies in these New Territories.

UT there is more to Shatin than cement and polished granite and shop-ping malls like the New Town Plaza, where the waters of a computerized fountain dip and soar to symphonic music and recall the dancing waters reminiscent of Radio City Music Hall's earlier days. It has developed as a city but has managed to preserve some of the atmosphere of old China. Just beyond the Lion Rock Tunnel, which

now cuts through the hills around Shatin, across a small valley from a mountain the people of Shatin call Amah Rock — they say it resembles a nursemaid carrying a child oo her back — hes Tsang Tai Uk, a preserved walled village. Here 200 people live the rural life, much as the inhabitants did when the village was huilt 140 years ago. Tsang Tai Uk is a compound enclosed by long parallel rows of two-story masonry houses. Each huilding contains an elaborate ancestral hall of red- and gold-gilded woods that is used for worship as well as an entry into the enclave, which is dotted with small gardens and chicken coops. Tsang Tai Uk translates literally as Mr. Tsang's Big House, and virtually all the villagers are oamed Tsang.

the Ming Dynasty (1368-1644), when it was reported that a village called Tai Wai had been founded four centuries earlier. People in Shatin say that the rice from Tai Wai's fields was so fine that it was sent to the Imperial Court.

Shatin houses the Che Kung Temple, named far a general of the Sung Dynasty (960-1279). The temple, which is close to Shatin's main railroad station, is of stuccocovered stone, dark and exceedingly quiet. There are several carved Buddhas, but the feature that distinguishes the temple is the forest of circular incense hoops hanging from its ceiling. Che Kung is a favorite place for weekend visits by the Chinese of Kowloon, who come to burn the incense hoops, to pray to their ancestors and to celebrate the coming of the Lunar New Year and other traditional holidays. Close hy is the Four-Face Budda, a statue with four faces carved in wood in Thailand. The shrine is always bedecked with flowers set before it by prayerful Buddhists.

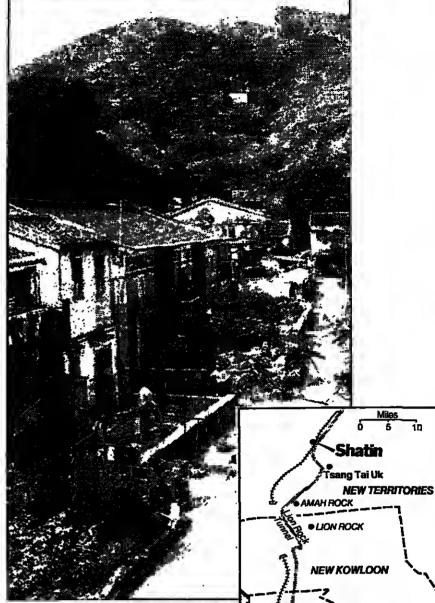
Also near the station -431 steps up from it — is the Temple of Ten Thousand Buddhas, where, if you care to count them, 12,800 small Buddhas of carved wood and sculptured clay, some painted bright scarlet, are set into its walls. The hillside temple is marked by a hright red nine-story pagoda. By climbing 69 more steps the visitor finds the Temple of Man Fat, dedicated to the monk Yuet Kai, who founded it. His preserved body, covered with gold, sits with closed eyes inside.

HOUGH it has developed far more quickly than others. Shatin is typical of the new settlements that have sprung up in the New Territories, towns that have grown simply because Kowloon and Hong Kong Island, the core of the colony, cannot hold an ever-expanding population now well above five million. In such New Territories towns as Fo Tan, Tai Po and Fanling, apartment huildings, owned and operated by the Hoog Kong government, cootinue to be huilt, along with markets and shopping centers. Shatin also has a luxurious racecourse, owned by the Royal Hong Kong Jockey Club, where the diversion is flat racing on a grass track. Some tour operators, particularly those in

Australia, are booking groups into Shatin's new Hotel Riverside Plaza, where there are swimming pools, a health center, several restaurants and a discothèque. Guests who ride the hotel's shuttle bus to Kowloon's Tsim Sha Tsui shopping area walk through mails and boutiques selling everything from silks to the latest electronic gadgetry. In one of Shatin's mall developments, Shatin Inter-City, visitors strolling among the shops that are lively imitations of those in Kowloon find several restaurants.

They may also discover the Palm Beach Sauna and a huge swimming pool that form part of the huge recreational center built for the residents of Shatin Inter-City. Nearby is Shatin New Town Plaza, next to a budding park called Shatin Central Park.

The cynosure of New Town Plaza is its fountain. Each afternoon, just before 12:45, hundreds of people, many elderly and children among them, pull up folding chairs and chink train to Shatin, walked to the Riverside Plaza, had dinner in the Botania and a late drink



Near the train station.

encircle the fountain, which sits in a multistory atrium in the middle of a shopping mall. At 12:45 the music begins, occasionally Western symphonic, though more often classical Chinese, and the waters begin to dance. People run out of the many bakeries and dim sum parlors, out of the Yaohan department store, out of the boutiques, to watch the free half-hour water show.

The most recent manifestation of Shatin's explosive growth is the Hotel Riverside Plaza, not yet two years old. On its 17 floors are 830 rooms and suites, some facing the Shing Mun River, others the hills and temples of

It is a place from which to contemplate Shatin. One evening my wife and I took the

oear the pool deck. I recall looking at the hills, many of them now covered with lights, and wondering about 1997.

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Is '87 Wine Good or Bad? — Yes

by Frank J. Prial

THERE is a tale about a brash fellow who stopped J. P. Morgan as he left his club and asked, "Will the mar-ket go up or down?" To which J.P. is said to have replied, "Yes."

Talking about wine vintages before the wine is bottled is somewhat the same. There wine is bottled is somewhat the same. There are a few facts: acid levels, sugar content, size of the crop, that sort of thing. And there is experience: In the past when the same conditions prevailed, the wine turned out

"All of this adds up to some good educated guesses but no more. That brings us to 1987. Among a winegrower's most valuable tools after the harvest are his selection of qualifying sentences and phrases. "Sovere selection" was a key one this year. "Skill of the wine maker" was popular, so were "quality is irregular," "some very good wines" and "not too acidic." My favorite was "not uniformly spectacular."

The fact is that the growing season across much of Europe got a late start; the summer was average at best in terms of sun, and the harvest time was often a period of drenching rains, fog and chilly weather. It was an unimpressive scenario for the production of outstanding wine.

However, in the perverse way of the wine market, 1987 was pretty much just what the doctor — or at least the banker — ordered. Stocks, thanks to a succession of large vintages and relentless price increases, were dangerously high, particularly in Bordeaux. The 1987 wines, assuming that there is oo

Here, an immense pot may be bubbling over a wood fire as scarlet, indigo and saffron steins hang drying on the overhead lines.

Isaac Vasquez, who is a master weaver and

dyer uses the formulas of his ancestors to make natural dyes from plants. In the show-icom of his home, at 44 Avenida Juarez, he has set up a display with an array of flowers,

noots and bark next to samples of the yarus

colored with the dyes they produce. There is also a container filled with tiny gray cochineal insects, which produce a bright scarlet dye when boiled. This insect, known to have

been cultivated for dyeing by the Zapotec Indians before the 13th century, created a

sensation in Spain when it was brought back by the conquistadors. Lately, cochineal in-sects have become so scarce that they have to

Dr. imported from Brazil. Although many

local weavers will tell you that they too use natural dyes, most have resorted to packaged

miline products that are easier to prepare.

Who are considered masters stick to the slow, time-honored methods,

never rushing to supply an increasing demand. The prices are higher, the quality impectable. When Vasquez, 52, began to

weave at the age of 12, there was one loom in

the house, today there are a dozen. His large minipretation of a Mayan design, the "Birth of Twins" is a depiction of the creation of the crea

story, surrounded by large jaguar motifs. It

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rush to buy them, give the growers and the trade some breathing space: some time to work off inventories of vintages going back

make 10 vats and be hard pressed to find 3 or 4 worthy of his label.

Only the wealthiest growers — or those to 1979, which at one level or another -

grower, importer, retailer — remain unsold.

A large, high-quality 1987 vintage on the order of 1982 or '83 would have forced the sale of some previous vintage years at dis-tress prices and virtually guaranteed the price and market collapse that so many insiders have been glumly predicting.

HE threat of a collapse is not entirely past; in the United States, the weak dollar keeps the prices of most quality French wines well beyond the reach of the middle-class consumers who have always constituted the backbone of the U.S. market for French wines.

There is some irony in the Bordeaux producers' characterizing the 1987s as better than the '80s and '84s. They were indignant when the press criticized those two vintages in the months after their respective harvests. If the '87 wines do prove better than those vintages, it will only be because of - here's

that phrase again — severe selection.

Selection takes place at harvest time when, theoretically at least, poor grapes are left on the vines. But, more important, it takes place at the time of the assemblage, which for most châteans, is in February.

Wine from different parts of the vineyard is fermented separately and then blended late in the winter after the harvest. A grower who has made 20 vats of wine and is seriously interested in top quality may reject 10 vats for his final blend. That's in a good year; in a year like 1987, he may have been lucky to

took him about a year to make, and costs

Mendoza home, at 2 Carranza, one is usually

occupied by Emiliano Mendoza, the patri-

arch; others by his brother, Tomas, his sister, Abigail, or his son, Arnulfo. Standing at the looms from 6 A.M. to 5 P.M., with only a

hunch break, these skilled weavers often work

tifs. In contrast, his son, Amulfo, who stud-

ied art in Paris, has developed more personal, surreal themes. One called the "Squirrel's

Dream" shows a giant armachllo with a

checkerboard shell. Another depicts local

trance-inducing mushrooms. A huge rug, woven by several family members, enlarges a

scene from the pre-Hispanic Codice Borgia: the story of the flight of the Morning Star as

the Sun God leaves the world to move up-

ward. The price of a Mendoza rug depends

on the amount of time and work involved.

Prices range from a 3-by-5-foot rug at \$60 to large ones for more than \$1,000. His son

Arnulfo's tapestries are also sold in a gallery

at 203 Alcala in Oaxaca; these are priced at

Betty Freudenheim is a weaver and co-author of "Interlacing: The Elemental Fabric" (Kodansha/ Harper & Row). She wrote this for

two to three months on a 9-by-12-foot rug. Mendoza's geometric designs incorporate Zapotec diamond, arrowhead and key mo-

Of seven massive wooden looms at the

about \$1,500.

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The New York Times.

with the least debt - can afford this kind of selectivity. As for the consumer, seeking out the decent wines in a year like 1987 becomes correspondingly difficult.

Burgundy, too, was beset by rain and its concomitants: rot and unripe grapes. Production in some famous vineyards reportedly was off 50 percent from 1986. Little hope then, that 1987 will help to ameliorate the high prices that good Burgundies have reached in recent years, particularly 1985 for reds and '86 for whites.

For Americans, the antidote to high French prices has been California. The 1987 vintage in that state was one of high quality

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but lower volume than in any year since
1983. But California's problem — with the
exception of a handful of premium wineries
— has been finding customers, not wine.

There are still dozens of good inexpensive
wines coming from California, even if a short
1987 crop allows some big midlevel wineries
to work off inventory.

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One pleasant bit of news: a good harvest in Oregon. That state's wine makers, even though their production is minuscule compared to California's, are getting closer and closer to producing world-class pinot coir. Each good season in the Willamette Valley brings them closer to offering true competition to the Burgindians.

Washington state also had a good year, a mixed hlessing in that comer of the Northwest. Production in Washington has ontstripped demand. In the more or less flat American market, the Washingtonians don't know what to do with all their wine. In 1987, they produced a record six million gallons, up from 4.5 million in 1986.

Back in Europe, the Champagne growers had a big crop in spite of the mediocre weather. It probably won't be a vintage year, something the growers decide more or less among themselves. But the volume will be welcomed; the demand for Champagne continues to rise around the world.

BEAUJOLAIS seems to have turned out extremely well. We heard that when the new wine arrived in November. And, for noweau, the wine was good. But so much nonsense accompanies those wines that it is almost mandatory to wait for the mature Beaujolais in late January and

From every indication, the 1987 Beautolais is not only the best in a oumber of years, hut is perhaps even better than the lovely '85s, and may be the most successful wine out of France this year.

Alsace growers say they did better than they had hoped, which is rather equivocal praise. But at least one well-known producer, Jean Hugel, said the quality was as good as last year. In 1986, Alsace had a good to

very good year.
Italy fared poorly in the corth, and well to very well in the south and in Sicily. Spain had a good year in the Rioja and an excellent year in the Panades. That should bring joy to the heart of lovers of Spanish sparkling wines, who must oumber in the millions considering the enormous quantity of the wines produced in the Panades region every

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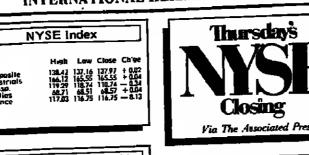
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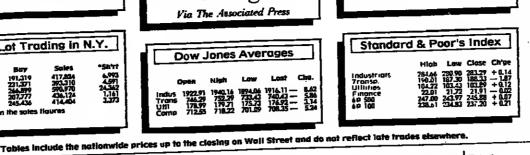
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NYSE Mixed Ahead of Data

NEW YORK - Prices on the New York Stock Exchange closed on a mixed note on Thursday. Trading was skittish and dominated by investors' reluctance to commit money to equities before the release of data on the No-

vember U.S. trade shortfall. The Dow Jones industrial average, which fell 3.82 points on Wednesday, lost another 8.62 points Thursday to close at 1,916.11. It traded within two or three points of the previous day's

closing for most of the day. Advances were almost even with declines

among NYSE isssues traded. Volume slipped to about 140.23 million shares from 154.02 on Wednesday. Prices were narrowly higher in light trading

on the American Stock Exchange. Traders and analysts said market participants' attention was focused on Friday's scheduled release of the U.S. trade deficit figures for

November. There was very little investor enthusiasm either to buy or to sell, said Lon Gorman, senior trader at First Boston Corp.

"It's like a holiday on Wall Street, with everybody waiting for the trade numbers and unwilling to make sizable commitments prior to that time," said A.C. Moore, director of research at Argus Research Corp. There are always participants in the market and things that have to be done, but in terms of aggressive capital commitment, nobody's willing to do that today," Economists said they expect the November

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trade figure to show about a \$2 billion improve ment over the October deficit, a record \$17.6

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Jack Baker, head of the equity block trading desk at Shearson Lehman Brothers Inc., said he thought the figure will prove to be "a surprise on the plus side" that could boost the market, but he said little is likely to happen before its

"Quite frankly, they've overdone the 'guessti-mates' for the trade number," he said. "Nooody's selling." Mr. Moore said technical indications that the

market was overextended last week have been substantially reversed. 'Nervousness and caution have returned to the market, which means there's cash on the sidelines," he said. "That could pave the way for an improvement over the next several sessions,

providing there's no disappointment with the trade number." Centerior was the most active NYSE-listed issue, off 1/2 to 16 1/4.

It was followed by Texaco, which slipped % to 36%. On Wednesday, Texaco said the Internal Revenue Service advised it of possible backtax liabilities totaling as much as \$6.5 billion. Digital Equipment was third on the actives list, off 3 to 1194. The computer maker report-

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By JULIA M. FLYNN New York Times Service

N EVALUATING the performance of various financial markets during the October stock collapse, the Presidential Task Force on Market Mechanisms singled out the options market for its sharpest criticism. In particular, it focused on activity in the options contract on the Standard & Poor's 100-NGTON — AUS Service
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hering was on me share index, charging that small investors were at a severe disadvantage last Oct. 19 and 20.

The description of what happened on those chaotic days is another reminder that when one market relies on another for its pricing data, it is vulnerable to delays and trading halts that

investors might not have anticipated.

The report was released last week by the panel headed by former U.S. Senator Nicholas Brady, head of the New York

investment banking firm of Dillon, Read & Co. The panel said that trading in the S&Psaid that trading in the Serr-100 contract was crippled by lengthy delays in opening pric-ing procedures at the Chicago Board Options Enfange. On Oct. 20, after an 80-minute trading halt, the contract trad-tations and 57 minutes altoed for only 52 minutes alto-

The Brady panel found the options market vulnerable to delays and trading halts Oct. 19-20.

"All markets except options remained free for trading," the presidential commission said in its report. "Nonprofessional participants, who lack access to continuous market information, expect to have continuous opportunities to withdraw from investments in a timely way. Obviously on Oct. 19 and 20, these expectations were unfulfilled."

The report noted that "individual participants who wrote 'put' options, or options to sell; before Oct. 19 and 20 often found themselves either locked into their positions or involuntarily

At the time of the trading halts in the S&P-100 contract, officials of the options exchange said that a large number of the underlying securities of the S&P-100 index were not trading on the New York Stock Exchange, making it difficult to price options contracts.

The panel's report buttresses findings of the National Securities Administrators Association that trading in options was the biggest source of complaints after the October collapse. Indeed, the association received more than three times as many complaints from individual investors about options trading as about

OST OF the complaints involved complex and risky investment strategies, such as "naked puts," or selling of options without owning the underlying securities. The association considers this practice unsuitable for small investors. Last month it called for a crackdown in abusive sales practices by brokers and for raising individuals, margin requirements to 50

Officials of the CAUE, the oldest and largest U.S. options exchange, defended the performance of its most popular contract during the chaotic days of mid-October. But exchange officials have begun girding themselves for the regulatory battle that is

Alger B. Chapman, the exchange's chairman, said the CBOE was studying a wide range of changes in its operations and regulatory role in response to the October market collapse.

Although the CBOE initiated its own study of stock index option prices on Oct. 20 and found them "understandable" in light of the market turnful at that time, it recently adopted an accelerated opening procedure aimed at starting trading faster

"Some things need fixing," said Mr. Chapman."We ought to work on fixing them ourselves rather than relying on regulators and outside industry groups."

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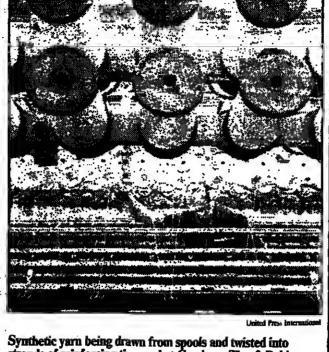
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Electrical machinery and parts including semiconductors and integrated circuits	\$13.6
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U.S. Trade Dilemma: The Foreign Part

By Louis Uchitelle

New York Times Service NEW YORK - Two deeply ingrained practices of American business have largely escaped notice in the debate on the U.S. trade deficit, but are likely to prevent the shortfall from narrowing much in the 1980s and perhaps beyond, oumerous experts say.

One is the practice of manufacturing prod-

nets in the United States with imported parts and materials, an approach that became widespread in this decade. Eighty-eight percent of American manufacturers now use foreign ingredients, the National Associatioo of Purchasing Management found in a recent

The other is the common practice of American multinational corporations of filling foreign orders from their overseas factories rather than with goods from their U.S. plants. If these innitinationals could somehow bring their foreign production back to the United States, the nation's exports would double. Commerce Department statistics indicate. The sums involved are huge: roughly \$11 billion a month in added imports and \$21 hillioo a month in lost exports.

deficit, which hit a monthly record of \$17.6 billion in October, is so hard to reduce, economists say. Many predict that the November deficit, to be announced Friday, will be be-tween \$14.5 hillioo and \$16 billion. This is still very high, although the low value of the dollar against other major cur-

rencies is indeed increasing exports sharply by making American goods purchased abroad less expensive. The rise in exports to an estimated \$250 billion in 1987, from \$214 hillion in 1986 — is likely to belp reduce the trade deficit. Still, imports are expected to total nearly \$400 billion, up from \$383 billion

Although the weaker dollar is allowing Annough the weaker dollar is allowing American companies to increase their domestic production and to export more, many are also stepping on their imports of the parts and materials that go into this rising output. They are sticking with these imports even though they have become more costly in dollar terms. Similarly, they are sticking with their forces plants although most again.

their foreign plants, although most are in Europe and have become less cost-competitive with American plants.

This reluctance to abandon global sourcing and production strategies will only give way if the dollar were to fall below 120 yen from its current level of 127 yen and by a similar percentage against the Deutsche mark — and stay there into the 1990s, said Paul Krugman, an economist and trade expert at the Massachuseus Institute of Technology.

Stephen S. Roach, a senior economist at Morgan Stanley & Co., said the dollar would have to remain at 110 yen or less,

Others basically agree, "We're going to see a shift, but it takes a long time to build up the expectation that the dollar will stay down," said Peter Hooper, an economist at the Federal Reserve system.

For their part, many husiness executives maintain that even if the dollar were to remain weak for years — and they are not convinced that it will — they would oot bring home significant portions of their production. They cite reasons for using foreign sup-pliers and for manufacturing abroad that have little to do with the dollar's value. "Our production system may be much

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U.S. Retail Sales Edged Up 0.7% In December

WASHINGTON - U.S. retail sales rose 0.7 percent in December, an upturn that reflected strong auto sales but a weak performance among general merchandisers, the Commerce Department said Thursday.

A preliminary estimate showed \$126.7 billion in retail sales, up from \$125.8 billion in November. according to the department's Cen-

Economists had predicted an overall increase of about I percent. The 0.7 percent rise followed a scant 0.1 percent gain in Novem-ber, revised from 0.2 percent; and drops of 0.9 percent in October and 1.7 percent in September.

Auto dealers' sales jumped 2.4 percent in December following a 0.7 percent decline in November. Excluding anto sales, retail sales in December advanced just 0.2 per-cent after a 0.3 percent rise the previous month.

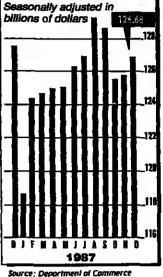
The retail figures are adjusted for seasonal variations, but not for in-flation. The December gain was the steepest climb since August, when sales rose 1.5 percent amid incentives at automobile showrooms. Despite the year-end surge, retail sales for all of 1987 were up just 3.5

smallest annual gain since a 2.8 percent rise in the recession year of Economists had been watching gest that's oot warranted." retail sales, particularly Christmas

sales, for any sign that the October sales to "ordinary economic facstock crisis dampened consumer confidence.

separate report last week, said that of sales incentives by domestic car heavy discounting brought last-minute shoppers into the stores after a slow start.

But the government said Thurs-day that sales at department stores fell 0.7 percent in December after being flat in November, Combined sales of department stores and general merchandise stores fell 0.4 percent in December from November, although they were 5 percent higher than in December 1986.



Retail Sales

cent selling season this Christmas."
He said that the comparison with a year earlier suggested "a modest gain in real volume." But Michael K. Evans, president

of a Washington-based forecasting service, said that department store percent to \$1.51 trillion. It was the retailers were "whistling past the graveyard. They wanted to put an optimistic gloss on reports to keep up confidence, but the figures sug-He attributed the generally soft

tors," however, not the stock collapse. He said the increase in auto Major department stores, in a sales was triggered by the renewal

The increase in sales from Nomber to December came primariin durable goods, which posted a 1.7 percent advance. Auto sales led the way, followed by a 1.3 percent increase in sales of building materials, hardware, garden supplies and mobile homes.

Economists said a slowdown in retail sales might help the United States make headway in reducing Robert B. Ortner, the U.S. un- its hig trade deficit, a major cause dersecretary of commerce, said re-tailers seemed to have "had a de-cial markets. (AP, UPI, Reuters)

Britoil Dismisses Bid By BP as 'Derisory'

LONDON - Britoil PLC quickly rejected Thursday as "totally in-adequate" and "derisory" the £2.27 billion (\$4.13 billion) cash offer that British Petroleum Co. formally launched for the iodependent

North Sca oil producer.
Glasgow-based Britoil, which
has reached a friendly agreement
with Atlantic Richfield Co. of the United States to acquire a 49.9 percent stake in it, also said "a vigorous defense document is likely to be published within a week."

That document is likely to show that independent consultants value Britoil at 500 pence (\$9.12) a share, a Britoil spokesman said. BP, which had already an-

nounced it would offer 450 pence a share for the 70.1 percent of Britoil it did not own, confirmed the cash offer Thursday in a document sent to Britoil shareholders. BP also said that it would offer

shareholders a lower alternative of cash and BP stock, which, at BP's share price Thursday, valued Britoil shares at 443 pence, or as total of £2.23 billion.

The partial cash offer is worth even less than the original cash offer," Britoil's chief executive, David Walker, said in a statement. BP's partial-share alternative consisted of one BP ordinary share plus 190 pence in cash for each

Britoil ordinary share. The alterna-U.S. or Canadian shareholders.

Oil analysts had speculated that, to ensure success, BP might raise its bid when it issued its offer docu-ment. After Britoil's shares surged on Wednesday, disappointment pushed them down 11 pence, to 454, on the London Stock Exchange. They rose slightly later, while BP shares were down I pence,

BP said Thursday that it holds 29.8 percent of Britoil's 504 million shares outstanding.

Los Angeles-based Arco, which owns almost 23.59 percent of Britoil, has said that it wants to purchase up to 29.9 percent on the market and obtain the rest through a swap of Arco assets for new Britoil stock.

Some analysts said that Arco may try to top BP's offer. Others have said that, no matter what hap-pens, the U.S. company should turn a tidy profit.

BP snapped up thousands of shares in a so-called "dawn raid" on Dec. 8, buying 14.9 percent before the start of trading that day on the London exchange, and has been buying steadily since. Arco followed with its own dawn raids

Hong Kong Charges Li **Under Law on Bribery**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches
HONG KONG — Ronald Li, the former chairman of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, was charged Thursday under the colony's Prevention of Bribery ordinance.

He was charged under Section 9 of the ordinance, which involves accepting soliciting or offering illegal advantages in relation to one's principal business, a spokesman for the lodependent Commission Against Cocruption said.

Mr. Li; the exchange's former chief executive, Jeffrey Sun; and the former head of the exchange's stock listing department, Donald Tsang, were arrested Jan. 2 in connection with enquiries" by the commission. They were released on bail of \$1.28 million for Mr. Li. \$510,000 for Mr. Sun and \$3,800 for Mr. Tsang, though no charges were filed then.

Mr. Li remained free on bail

Thursday, pending a court appearance Friday. The charge against him carries a maximum penalty of they had little say in the running of they had little say in the running of seven years' imprisonment and a 500,000 Hong Kong dollar (about \$64,000) fine, the spokesman said.

ities of Mr. Sun and Mr. Tsang are continuing, the spokesman said. Mr. Li retired as chairman of the

exchange on Dec. 16 after serving the maximum two terms. He was a deputy chairman at the time of his arrest, but was suspended from that position.

Mr. Li is the Hong Kong exchange's best known and most controversial figure. He guided the merger of four rival bourses into a unified market in 1986, but also made the decision to close the exchange for four days when stock prices around the world fell in Oc-

Many brokers said that move worsened the impact on shares once trading resumed Oct. 26. That day the market's main indicator, the Hang Seng index, plunged 33 For the man with exceptional goals

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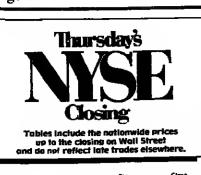
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Sales of U.S. Cars Rose In First Part of January

By Philip E. Ross

DETROIT — Sales of new American-made cars and light trucks climbed 21.8 percent early this month from the sales in the comparable period a year earlier, the eight domestic manufacturers have reported

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Car sales, reported Wednesday, ran at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 5.9 million. That was better than the unusually weak 5.1 million rate of a year before but well below the 7.4 million rate that had prevailed in the three most recent selling periods. Analysts attributed the low sales rate to inclement weather around the

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in Wayne, Pennsylvania. He added that the
even lower sales of early January 1987 were a reaction to a buying spree in December 1986, when customers burried to take advantage of the deductibility of sales tax costs before the new tax law took effect.

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Domestic passenger vehicle sales averaged 24,252 a day in the Jan. 1-10 period, in which there were seven selling days, compared with 19,907 a day in the period a year ago, when there were eight selling days. Car sales rose 17.1 percent, to 15,768 a day, and light trucks, which often substitute for cars, rose 31.6 percent, to 8,478 a day.

Ford Motor Co. accounted for 31.9 percent of all sales of domestic cars and light trucks.

of all sales of domestic cars and light trucks. of all sales of domestic cars and light trucks. This is consistent with its performance in recent months but 6.4 percentage points better than its share in early January 1987.

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Lead, Zinc Output Rose In West, Group Reports

LONDON — The West's output of lead from mines and refineries rose slightly in the first 11 months of 1987, while a more substantial increase was reported for zinc, the International Lead and Zinc Study Group said Thursday.

Lead-mine output rose 0.7 perceot to 2.206 million metric tons, with higher production in Canada and Australia offset by declines in Europe and the United States.

Refined lead output rose 1.9 percent, to 3.798

million tons, with strong increases in Australia and the United States. The consumption of refined lead fell 0.9 percent, to 3.725 million tons, with most of the reduction in Europe and Japan.

Zinc-mine output rose by 5.6 percent in the 11 months, to 4.898 million tons, because of increases in Caoada and Australia, while pro-

duction of the refined metal gained 3.8 perceot, to 4.597 million tons, as output rose in Europe, Canada, the United States and Korea. Consumption rose by 1.4 percent, to 4.591 million tons, as buying remained firm in Europe and the Uoited States.

Foreigners Invest in Portugal

LISBON - Foreign investors, attracted by Portugal's healthy economic growth and new-found political stability, almost tripled their investments in the country in 1987, officials said Thursday.

The Foreign Investment Institute said that new investments totaled 61.7 billion escudos (462.7 million) last year compared with 24.5 billion escudos in 1986. Most of investment was in banking and tour-ism, with leading investors Britain, Spain and

the United States.

Via The Associated Press

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U.K. Jobless Rate Falls to 9.4%

LONDON - The number of memployed Briton fell by more than 35,000 last month to 2.6 million, its lowest level since 1982, the government said Thursday.

That represents 9.4 percent of Britain's work force. The rate was 9.5 percent in November and 11.2 percent in December 1986. Employment Secretary Norman Fowler said it was the 18th successive monthly drop in unemploy-

The government also said that average earnings increased by 8.25 percent in the 12 months ended in November, the biggest gain since 1982.

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Mitsubishi to Purchase More Foreign Parts TOKYO -- Mitsubishi Motors Corp. said Thursday that it will

take advantage of the strong yen by increasing purchases of foreign auto parts by 9.6 percent to 25 billion yen (\$190 million) in the year ending March 31, from 22.80 billion yen in 1986-87.

Capital spending will rise 17.4 percent to 74 billion yen in the curreot year from 63 billion yen in 1986-87, a spokesman said. Certain offerings of securities, financial services or interests at real estate published in this newspaper are not authorized in certain parisfections in which the international Herald Tribuse is distributed, including the United States of America, and do not constitute offerings of services or interests in these puriodictions. The International Herald Tribuse, assumes no responsibility whatsoever for any advertisements for offerings of any kind.

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JAL Hiring 113 Foreigners Igence France Presse

TOKYO - Japan Air Lines will hire 113 non-Japan Air Lines was hire 113 non-Japanese for its cabin crews in a bid to strengthen its international competitiveness, a company spokesman said Thursday. JAL now has a cabin crew staff of about 5,000, including 103 foreigners his gaid foreigners, he said,

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4th-largest U.S. bank made the er this week. announcement on Wednesday. The

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loans to Third World countries, charge in the fourth quarter for bringing its 1987 loss to \$610 milloun losses to developing countries, resulting in a loss for the period of The holding company for Continual Binois National Bank, the made similar announcements carling the small state of the small state of

Continental's move brings its toprovision; coupled with a \$90 mil- tal loan-loss reserves to \$1.1 billion ion charge from its First Options, and makes 1987 the bank's worst of Chicago subsidiary during the year since a federal bailout in 1984, October stock market crisis, will officials said.

according to US Report Higher Net in Quarter 13 Orion term.

Bank of New York Co., another a loss of \$122 million. large bank holding concern, reported record last-quarter earnings and sharply higher profit for the year. Chemical said net income for the three months ended Dec. 31 rose to

y said the place ernational water \$229.6 million, or \$3.83 a share, from \$102.4 million in the year-earlier period. But for 1987, Chemi-tal posted a loss of \$853.7 million, compared with a profit of \$402.4 million in 1986.

The loss was attributed to a deci-

quarterly profit, including a lower one-time pre-tax gains of \$152 mil-

The year's figures included results from Texas Commerce Bancshares inc., which since its merger May I with Chemical has incurred

Bank of New York said fourthquarter net income totaled \$45.9 million, or \$1.24 a share, up 19 percent from earnings of \$38.4 million in the year-earlier period. For 1987, it netted \$103.4 million, or \$2.81 a share, compared with a profit of \$155.2 million in 1986.

. The improved quarterly results were attributed to growth in net interest income.

.. Bank of New York said its loan tion in 1987. ter through the sale of \$15.7 million. Chemical said many factors were of medium-term loans, bringing its responsible for its huge rise in annual total to \$58.2 million.

Grand Met Could Net £25 Million On Seagram Bid

developing countries, mostly in Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches Latin America, was \$1.8 billion at PARIS - Grand Metropoli-

in the second quarter, Continen-

tal added \$510.1 million to its re-

cision "was made in light of the

He said the banking company's

"relatively strong capital position

permits us to take this action" and

that the larger reserves would give

lo 1986, Continental earned

the company greater flexibility.

\$16.0 million, or 9 cents a share, in

the fourth quarter and \$165.2 mil-

lion, or 60 cents a share, for the

Interstate's loan-loss reserves for

developing countries oow total \$591 million, or 53 percent of loans

to those countries. The percentage

year, the bank added \$750 million

to its loan-loss reserve, of which

\$500 million was carmarked for

erating income for the fourth quar-

ter would total \$85 million before

the \$180 million provision. The bank had assets of \$50.47 billion as

of their Third World debt at signifi-

cant discounts. For example, sec-

ondary market makers are now

It estimated that its after-tax op-

debt to developing countries.

rose from 36 percent.

of Sept. 30.

With Wednesday's action, First

year's end

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named no countries.

tan PLC of Britain could reap a profit of around £25 million (\$45 The oew loan-loss additioo million) on its stake in Martell & brings the amount of Third World Compagnie if it accepted the Martell takeover offer by Sealoans covered by reserves to about gram Co. of Canada, a Grand Continental's chairman, Thomas C. Theobald, said Wednesday's de-Met spokesman said Thursday.

But he said Grand Met had continuing uncertainty" surround-ing certain debtor nations. He not decided whether to raise its own offer for Martell after the Paris Stockbrokers Association cleared both bids on Thursday. Seagram, whose initial agree

> 2,975 francs (\$540). Grand Met's bid is for 2,825 francs. while it bought its 19.9 percen stake at an average 2,115 francs. Official trading in Martell shares will resume Monday. The

ment with the Martells for their

41 percent stake was ruled inva-

lid, has made a formal bid of

shares were suspended at 2,390 francs on Dec. 15.(AP. Rewers)

By Andrew Pollack

New York Times Service

Apple Computer Inc. is expected to

announce Friday that it will enter

into a joint development agreement

The agreement will call for de-

ers, according to people in the com-

puter industry. Such an agreement would enable the companies to

oping products that will allow

with Digital Equipment Corp.

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Pearson, Asahi Reportedly Weigh Printing FT in Tokyo

publisher of Asahi Shimbun to print the Financial Times in Tokyo, a source at the big Japanese news-paper said Thursday.
"We haven't reached an agree-

ment yet," said the source at Asahi Shimbun Publishing Co., who asked not to be identified "We will try to start printing in the near

Other sources said Pearson, a British-based conglomerate, want-ed Tokyo printing of the Financial Times to start early in 1989. The FT's Japanese circulation is

around 1,200 copies a day. The newspaper, which is printed in Londoo and Frankfurt, is delayed 48 hours in reaching readers in Ja-

The rival Asian Wall Street Journal, which is printed in Tokyo by the Japanese economic daily Nihon Keizai Shimbun, has Japanese circulation of 6,000 copies a day. The International Herald Tri-

that covers the full range from

desktop computers to room-sized

Meanwhile, company officials

announced Wednesday that Apple

is revamping its line of laser printers as part of its efforts to penetrate

the corporate compoter market.

The two developments are ex-

pected to be highlights of Mac-World Expo, an exhibition of Ap-

ple's Macintosh computer products

that began Thursday in San Fran-

With the Digital agreement, Ap-

ple would seem to be making a formal move in a direction in which

it has been heading for a couple of years. Apple officials have said that

they were working to connect Ap-

ple machines with computers from

both Digital and IBM. Until now,

however, most of the products that

connect Apple and Digital ma-

chines have come from indepen-

Computer users increasingly

want to connect personal computers with larger machines. The larger

machines can store huge amounts

of data while the smaller computers

allow users to retrieve the data and

Spokesmen at Apple and Digital

Also on Thursday, Apple was to

would not comment on the reports that an alliance would be an-

dent companies.

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nounced Friday.

mainframes.

Agence France-Presse pan in November in association TOKYO — Pearson PLC is with Mainichi Shimbun, hopes to seeking an arrangement with the lift its Japanese circulation to between 3,000 and 6,000 copies a day. Asahi and Pearson are also dis-

cussing the printing of an English-language version of Asahi Shimbun in Europe and the publication of Financial Times articles in Asahi Shimbun, sources said.

At the same time, Pearson is trying to expand its newspaper activities by acquisitions in France, Australia and New Zealand.

Pearson said Tuesday that it intended to buy the French media group Les Echos SA for £88 million (\$160 million). But the French government expressed reservations Wednesday, citing Rupert Mur-doch's 19.8 percent stake in Pear-

It was also disclosed in Sydney oo Wednesday that Pearson wanted to buy half of the Australian Financial Review, one of two national dailies in Australia that is already planning to publish a weekly Asian edition, and New Zeabune, which began printing in Ja-

tronic musical instruments, such as

Apple's move is likely to pres-

sure Atari Corp., which has a simi-

lar interface built into its ST com-

puters and is making a strong

attempt to sell to musicians. Atari

has even started selling computers

As for the printers, Apple's new

family of three Laserwriter II mod-

els will replace the existing line and

include a machine that is much less

The Laserwriter printer, intro-

duced in 1985, established the com-

pany's dominance in the market for desktop publishing. But other com-panies, notably Hewlett-Packard

Co., have proved that there is a

market for printers that are much

lower priced than the Apple mod-els, which start at \$4,500. Apple has

been seeing increasing competition

from the less-expensive models,

some of which are priced under

One model of the new Apple

family, the Laserwriter II-SC, will

be priced at \$2,800. But it will not

use the Postscript software that al-

lows the current Laserwriter to

print a large variety of styles of

type in any size and at any angle. Moreover, it will be able to connect

The new model NT, which will

to only one computer.

introduce a product, known as a sell for \$4,600, is more comparable

MIDI interface, that will allow the to the existing Laserwriter Plus,

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NEW YORK — Chemical New loan-loss provision, higher net in-York Corp., one of the largest bank terest income of \$468.2 million and bolding companies in the United States, said Thursday that its lion. fourth-quarter net profit rose sharply, but that it had a loss for 1987 because of an increase in its loan-loss provision.

sion to add \$1.1 billion to loan-loss reserves to cover Third World debt. exposure to less developed coun-Many large banks took similar ac- tries was reduced during the quar-

GM Debt Is Downgraded

NEW YORK - Moody's Investors Service Inc. said Thursday that it had downgraded the ratings on \$54 billion of debt of General Motors Corp. and its credit subsidiary, General Motors Acceptance Corp. The rating agency cut senior otes, debentures and Eurodebt of

M and GMAC to Aa3 from Aa1; They remain in the "high-quality". grade, GMAC's grantor trusts, or set-backed debt securities, were similarly downgraded.

medium grade, from Aa2: rating agency noted, with large Moody's said the downgrades of market shares at the more profit-reflected the probability that the able ends of the car and light truck entomaker would be mable to re- segments of the car industry cover its former dominance of the Moody's also noted that GM had a market. In 1987, GM captured just strong distribution network.

35.3 percent of the U.S. vehicle market; down from 38.8 percent in

Moody's said it expected that programs to address problems with ducts and costs would enhance GM's business position and lead to improved productivity.

Still, it said, GM's programs may be insufficient to offset weakening demand and such deteriorating fundamentals as mounting compe tition from Japanese automakers.

Moody's cut GMACs subordi- Despite its difficulties, GM renated debt to Al, considered upper mains a formidable competitor, the

A Rush on Générale Shares

cents on the dollar. (AP, Reuters) ternational Business Machines

Analysis said these large reserves Macintosh computers to connect to

pricing Mexican debt at about 51 compete more effectively with In- cisco.

give banks the flexibility to dispose Digital's larger VAX minicomput-

BRUSSELS - A record oumber of shares traded Thursday in Belgium's biggest company, Société Générale de Belgique, leaving the Brussels Bourse perplexed over who the mystery buyer might be. Altogether, 224,000 of the shares changed hands, well over the previous record of 154,000 set June 24. They closed at 301.5 Belgian francs (\$9.024) a share, up from Wednesday's close of 283 francs. Société Générale had no comment, except that only about 30 percent of its shareholders are known to the company. Market sources suspected the same raider who bought stock heavily last summer, rousing concern that a hostile bid might be made,

Brokerage analysts said that off-Bourse trading in the stock also was exceptionally high, with estimates ranging from 150,000 to 250,000 shares. Thursday's volume on and off the Bourse represented more than I percent of the group's total of 28 million shares.

Belgian law pots no limit on holdings beyond which a shareholder must declare his identity and the size of his stake. A raider could thus build a significant holding without being known to the company. Speculation about the identity of the possible raider varies widely

but many analysts mention French companies. Last summer's bout of buying was oot followed by a takeover attempt.

and materials than many people realize," said Jerry Jasinowski, chief economist at the National Association of Manufacturers.

Pointing to the advantages of maintaining foreign subsidiaries, he added: There is no question that you can market better in a country of region when your fac-tory is located there — when you meet competitors on their own

Commerce Department figures for 1985, the latest year available, show that American-owned manufacturing operations abroad sold \$294 billion worth of products.

Of that amount, \$182 billion worth was sold in the countries in which the units were located. They exported \$112 billion to other countries, including \$37 billion to the United States.

The weak dollar has probably reduced this total of \$294 billion since 1985. As American exports grow, sales from the multinationals' foreign subsidiaries are proba-bly dropping, but slowly, said Rob-ert Lipsey, an economist at the National Bureau of Economic Re-

The amount might have fallen to \$250 billion or \$260 billion, a figure that would be roughly equal to estimated U.S. exports in 1987.

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tires manufactured by Goodyear in ters of 1987, and auto and tractor uses molasses to make citric acid, makers spem \$26.4 billion, at an which it produces at a North Caroannual rate, on engines and other lina plant. The European molasses is of a

Other components are mixed in better quality than the Midwest with Commerce Department data U.S. variety, the company says. In

Delta Faucet Co. is still importing 247

parts for kitchen and bathroom faucets. With the dollar so low, it tried to switch to domestic suppliers, but manufacturing had dried up: It found U.S. substitutes for only three of the components.

coveriog imports of consumer addition, the European molasses, products and capital goods. About while more expensive, cods up cost-\$42 billion of the \$171 billion that ing less because bulk ocean ship-

In all, then, about \$134 billion went for imported materials and parts in 1987, or roughly one-third of total imports. When petroleum imports, another category considered relatively immune to changes in the dollar's value, are added, the share of imported goods that do not respond easily to fluctuations in the dollar rises to 43 percent of everything the nation buys abroad. Examples abound of companics that see no good reason yet to

A dearth of adequate domestic suppliers is the reason why Delta Faucet Co. of Indianapolis, a divibathroom fancets. These represent

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the United States contain steel wire from Belgium and Japan. Completely different reasons ex-

plain why many American multioational companies, including Goodyear, are reluctant to switch to their American plants to supply their foreign customers. For example, Goodyear uses its plant near Heidelberg, West Germany, to sup-ply Daimler-Benz in Stuttgart be-cause the tire maker believes it must be geographically close to a big customer

Without a German plant and the oumerous close contacts that such a plant generates with overseas clients, Goodyear might not be able to sell many tires in Germany, said Stanley J. Mihelick, a Goodyear vice president. In addition, the cost of walking away from the German was spent on foreign-made conping rates, paid in dollars, are so plant — in severance payments, sumer products and capital goods much lower than American railpension obligations and other outpass. — is prohibitive, regardless of lays — is prohibitive, regardless of the dollar's value, he said.

Other American executives bold

similar views. sion of Masco Corp., is still import-ing 247 parts for its kitchen and mitted to a multinational strategy, and the Japanese were committed only a small percentage of the to a mercantile strategy of export14,000 parts that go into Delta ing from a home base," said Steproducts. With the dollar so low, phen R. Hardis, vice chairman of
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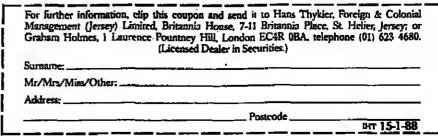
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Copper Price Drops \$195 a Ton in London

LONDON — A sudden drop of nearly \$200 a ton in the copper price may signal the end of a boom that took it to historic highs early this month, traders said Thursday.

They said a wave of nervous selling tody, here-month copper futures on the London Metal Exchange down to \$2,250 a ton, a loss of \$195 from Wednesday afternoon. The drop coincided with a forecast by Shear-

On Jan 4, three-month copper reached, \$2.845, its highest price for eight years. This reflected expectations that good demand through the early part of 1988 would continue to drain already low world stock levels.

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CURRENCY MARKETS

Dollar Slips as Trade Report Nears

NEW YORK — The dollar slipped Thursday in New York as traders became increasingly nervous about the release Friday of U.S. trade figures for November.

Analysis also cited disappointment about West Germany's failpre to reduce interest rates or take other stimulatory measures following a report Wednesday that the nation's economic growth slowed to 1.7 percent last year.

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The dollar closed in New York at 1.6295 Deutsche marks, down from 1,6385 DM on Wednesday, It fell to 126.05 yen from 127.25, to 5.3075 French francs from 5.5275 and to 1.3295 Swiss frames from

The British pound, firmed to

The dollar's retreat came despite a U.S.-Japanese pledge to strengthen cooperation in seeking exchange-rate stability and in discouraging speculation. President Ronald Reagan and Minister Noborn Takeshita pledged Wednes- the up side now. While most people

London Dollar Rates 1.6375 1.8196 1,2250 126,60 14.7

day to ensure that "resources" for stabilizing rates were adequate. Earlier in Europe, the dollar rose slightly while traders marked time ahead of the trade report.

The currency closed in London at 1.6375 DM, up from 1.6330 DM at Wednesday's close, and at 126.70 yen, up marginally from

In October, the U.S. trade deficit reached a record \$17.6 billion. Analysts said that the market was extremely nervous about the Novem-

Hank Welland, vice president for foreign exchange at National Westminster Bank U.S.A. in New York, said: "The fears are more on

Ruding Assails were thinking that it would be in the \$12 billion to \$16 billion range, G-7 for Failure the belief now is that it will be To Steady Rates around \$15 billion to \$20 billion.

Garrett Glass, vice president for foreign exchange at First National Bank of Chicago, said: "There are always wild rumors. I think \$20

billion is way too high.
"Anything above \$16 billion will be trouble for the dollar," he added. "Twenty billion will be too much for the central banks to offset. If it's \$13 billion or better, a lot of people will be buying dollars."

In carlier European trading, the dollar was fixed higher in Frankfurt, at 1.6374 DM after 1.6269 on Wednesday, and in Paris, at 5.5320 French francs after 5.4920. M-1 Rises \$4 Billion

The Fed said Thursday that M-1, the basic measure of the U.S. money supply, increased \$4 billion to a seasonally adjusted \$756 billion in the week ended Jan. 4, Renters reported from New York.

The previous week's M-1 level was revised downward, to \$752 bil-

Bonn Sticks to '88 Growth Target

By Ferdinand Protzman

BONN — Despite evidence that West German economic growth on "notable deviation" from the came to a virtual standstill in the growth path that the German econfinal quarter of 1987, officials said Thursday that Chancellor Helmut Kohl's conservative coalition is still aiming for expansion of between 1.5 and 2 percent in 1988.

ment's 1988 target in a speech to gram for municipalities and mediregional and local government offi-cials. He said that expansion would again be powered by domestic demand, which has replaced export sales as the driving force in West

German economic growth. The Deutsche mark's strength against the dollar has eroded the nation's traditionally strong exports, which account for about onethird of gross national product, and has held down the price of imports. Higher domestic demand is "expected from us internationally."

Mr. Bangemann said. But neither be nor Finance Mioister Gerhard Staltenberg gave any indication that dogged criticism from the United States and other major trading partners had

prompted the government to con-sider fresh initiatives to spur Their remarks follow a report Wednesday that West Germany's GNP, measuring the total value of goods and services produced, grew would make excellent economic goods and services produced, grew sense, the official said. The govern-only 1.7 percent in 1987, and little

ment could borrow at much lower or not at all in the fourth quarter. The United States and some West European nations have re-peatedly called on Bonn to stimulate its economy. This would aid efforts to trim the huge U.S. trade The special drawing right plan, deficit, lower West Germany's record trade surpluses and reinforce

European economic expansion. Mr. Bangemann's 1988 growth forecast is more optimistic than predictions by many of the nation's leading economists and private economic institutes, whose estimates range from no growth to a ! percent expansion.

Most private forecasts have been revised downward since the October stock market collapse and the dollar's subsequent decline on for-

But Mr. Bangemann said figures 1987 budget results, said that the showed that, despite the turbulence budget deficit amounted to 27.5 in the financial markets, there was

only has followed so far. He added that the economy would benefit from net tax cuts of 14 billion DM (\$8.54 billion) that take effect this month; low interest Economics Minister Martin rates, and the government's 21 bil-lion DM investment incensive pro-

> um-size and small business. Mr. Stoltenberg, meanwhile, in a

billion DM, or 5.2 billion DM more Government expenditures

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preliminary review of the nation's lion DM originally targeted.

ment figures released Thursday. ment's target of 268.5 billion and 29 percent higher than in 1986.

hillion DM. Mr. Stoltenberg said. Income from privatization was 2.4 billion DM, well below the 3.3 bil-

amounted to 269.1 billion DM,

The increase was only 0.1 percent in December, the eighth consecutive month in which prices rose 0.2 percent or less. Excluding energy prices, con-sumer inflation in 1987 was the lowest in 15 years.

Inflation in France

Was 3.1% Last Year

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PARIS — French consumer

prices rose 3.1 percent in 1987

against 2.1 percent in 1986, ac-

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$\mathbf{\Gamma}\mathbf{RADE}$: Monthly Figures Are a U.S. Numbers Game

(Continued from Page 1) United States collect documents on shipments entering or leaving the country and forward

center in Jeffersonville, Indiana.

There, information from about 700,000 export documents and a similar amount for imports is coded and entered manually into a computer. The raw data are then transmitted over secured telephone lines to computers at Suitland where they are sorted according to type of product, quantity, value and country of

origin or destination.
The procedure is labor intensive and costly. It takes a staff of about 350 to tabulate the trade report and costs the U.S. government \$1.5 mil-

lion a month. It is also time-consuming. It takes about 45 days before Census

maintain security, the trade puzzle is not pieced together until the day before its release. Fewer than a dozen people, including the U.S. president and the chairman of his Council of Eco-

namic Advisers, have any prior knowledge of the trade results. Keeping track of the paper has also created problems. Because of late reporting -- importers have 10 working days to file customs docu-

- some shipments are never recorded in their proper months. Instead, every month's figures contain "carryovers," generally imports that actually entered the

The volume of carryovers became a big concern in late 1985 and early 1986. At the time, almost 50 percent of the imports recorded in any nne month actually occurred

one to three months before. This is the primary reason Census officials decided to give customs workers more time to gather documents, thus delaying the release of the monthly data by 10 days. Mr. Adams says carryovers now average about 3 percent a month. But this can still throw the monthly deficit off by a \$1 billion

Sometimes, however, documents are never collected. The problem is chronic when it comes to exports.

Last June, in a tacit acknowledgment that reporting procedures had flaws, analysis at the Census Butakes about 45 days before Census reau began using import figures officials have a final report. To prepared by Canadian customs to come up with a more realistic value for U.S. exports heading north.

Trucks were just driving across the border without filing any pa-pers," Mr. Adams said, "We were missing about one in live shipments." As a result, last year's trade deficit was revised downward by \$10 hillion, to \$156.2 billion.

The methods used to measure imports are another concern. Unlike many other nations, the United States does not seasonally adjust monthly trade figures. This procedure allows a nation

to average seasonal imports, such as nil, over a longer period to avoid sudden jumps in any one month

that may confuse statistical trends. Last month, for example, the Census Bureau reported that the United States imported 233 million barrels of oil in October, valued at \$4.3 billion. The moothly average io January through September was \$3.7 billion

The problem with carryovers forced the Census Bureau to abandon the adjustment process in January 1986. Mr. Adams says there are tentative plans to resume seasonal adjustments next January. The other big complaint about

the way the Census Bureau calculates imports can only be addressed by an act of Congress. In the Trade Act of 1979, Congress required Census analysts to value imports on a CIF — cost insurance and freight — basis.

This legislation was designed to

dramatize the growing U.S. trade problem by adding the dollar amount of freight and insurance to the value of imports. By law, this is the first import figure published and, ont surprisingly, the most widely reported. This statistical procedure adds

about 4.5 percent to the dollar value of imports each month, thus tending to exaggerate the deficit because exports cannot be calculated to the same fashion. Even Congress has had second

thoughts. Contained in the current trade bill being debated in Congress is a provision to eliminate the requirement, but the timetable for

(Continued from Page 1) swap agreements with other central see an end to the U.S. currency's banks to borrow foreign currencies decline, warmly welcomed the idea in exchange for dollars. The United States traded special serious about defending the dollar, drawing rights for yen and marks, a new issue of Carter-type bonds and used them to acquire Swiss would make excellent economic and used them to acquire Swiss francs through a roundabout route, But it can also avail itself of just

of mobilizing IMF special drawing rights in the dollar's defense. They id it reinforced existing efforts by the Group of Seven leading industrialized nations — the United States; Japan, West Germany, yen. Deutsche marks, British France; Britain, Italy and Canada pounds and French francs—that it

Washington's aim appeared to be to draw attention to the fact that even though its reserves of foreign currencies are running low, it can still tap other resources in the dol-

According to unofficial estimates, Federal Reserve Board in- component of the special drawing tervention to support the dollar in ecent days may have depleted U.S. foreign exchange reserves to as lit-ile as about \$11 billion.

The United States can call on SDR.

ASSESS: Offer to Swap SDRs Is Seen as Halfhearted Way to Aid Dollar swap agreements with other central

under \$10 billion worth of special drawing rights, a reserve asset defined as a basket of the world's top five trading currencies — dollars,

to stabilize world exchange holds on deposit at the IMF. Financial officials said that Japan would be interested in swapping yen for special drawing rights rather than dollars, as the SDRs would not lose their value as much

as the U.S. currency itself would in

the event of a new dollar decline. Because the dollar is a major dollar falls. But the loss is partly compensated for by rises in the other currencies that comprise the

The United States traded special during the dollar rescue operation mounted in November 1978.

At that time, the United States also issued the so-called "Carter bonds," denominated in yen, marks, and Swiss francs, to raise foreign currencies to support the dollar. That is what many private economists would like to see repeated. Administration officials, bowev-

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The administration's opposition is widely believed to be more political than economic. There is no desire, particularly in an election to imitate a move by President Carter that was interpreted as

the official said, was "a bit of a compromise," The same point was made by Mr. Johns of Phillips & Drew, who said that "it may be a er, emphasized Thursday that "nobody in the administration wants way out for Reagan."

WASHINGTON - H

Onno Ruding, the Dutch fi-nance minister, said Thursday

that the Group of Seven nations

had failed to bonor their

pledges to steady currencies. He

urged policy changes, including a rise in U.S. interest rates.

"To put it mildly, not every-body in the world is terribly

impressed by what these coun-

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ber," said Mr. Ruding, the chairman of the International

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With no prospect of deeper

cuts in the U.S. budget, he said,

Washington should be willing

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rates." Mr. Johns said. But he suggested that the market would not really be convioced until the special drawings rights were actually cona sign of American weakness, drawings rights
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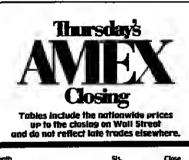
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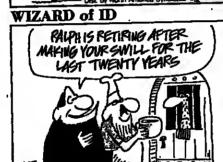








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BOOK BRIEFS

THE NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SOCI-ETY: 100 Years of Adventure and Discovery.
By C.D.R. Bryan. Harry N. Abrams Inc., 100

Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10011

In 1984, when President Reagan arrived to dedicate the National Geographic Society's newly completed headquarters in Washington, he apparently looked around the vast new building and then said to his hosts, "I guess you have trouble storing your old National Geographics too." Geographics, too."
Well, the collectors who inspired the president's crack can now throw away those piles in

the cellar, attic and garage. At least the ones who've been keeping back issues as souvenirs can do so. For C.D.B. Bryan's "National Geographic Society: 100 Years of Adventures and Discovery" captures the essence of the magazine with the familiar yellow-and-white cover.

The elephants and frogs are here. The steam-The elephants and frogs are here. The steaming tropical jungles and the snowy mountain peaks. The colorfully dressed natives are here. And the bare-breasted women. The San Francisco earthquake is here. So are floods, blizzards, famines, droughts, hurricanes, pestilence, avalanches and volcanic eruptions. So are the signt Olmer heads and the aut's head

are the giant Olmec heads and the ant's head blown up to the size of a human's. Browsers can catch the essence of the book by just looking at the pictures and reading their

Of course, you have to read Bryan's text to appreciate fully the remarkable history of the society, which began in 1888 as a meeting of 33 gentlemen intent upon "organizing a society for the increase and diffusion of geographical knowledge," and has grown in the intervening century to a membership of over 10 million.

In this text, Bryan — the author of three roughs and transporter morks of confiction

novels and two previous works of nonfiction, "The National Air and Space Museum" and "Friendly Fire," about the Vietnam War experience — has struggled nobly to pull together and render coherent a bewildering variety of material: the history of the society, biograp of its leading personnel and a survey of all the magazine has covered over a century, to mention only the most obvious.

(Christopher Lehmann-Haupt, NYT) MONGOOSE, R.LP. By William F. Buckley Jr. Random House, 201 East 50th Street, New

York, N. Y. 10022. William F. Buckley Jr. has dropped a lot of



names since he introduced the gallant CIA agent Blackford Oakes into the Queen of England's bedroom in his first spy novel, "Saving the Queen." But the author surpasses himself in the eighth of the series, "Mongoose, R.I.P."
It's an international Who's Who, 1963 edition, it's an international willo's who, 1903 edition, featuring John F. Kennedy, Fidel Castro and Nikita S. Khrushchev, along with their associates, friends and lovers. With the help of by: Clark Gable, Joe DiMaggio and Garole Lombard: Larry Spivak, James Resion, David Lawrence, Arthur Krock, Bill Manchester and Tad Szulc, Hoover, Tricky Dick and Mickey

Blackford Oakes, his faded blond hair framing a sensitive and expressive face, is a boy's hero among men. In his latest foray in freedom's behalf, the clean-shaver Yalie of old American stock goes so far as to disguise himself as a Hasid. We rejoin Blackford not long after he has been freed from a Cuban prison, where he was under a sentence of execution for where he was under a scattered execution for annoying Castro. Called on once again to deal with the communist menace off the coast of Florida, he finds himself involved in assassing. tion plots — against the Cuban leader; the U.S. president and himself. To complicate matters, Blackford also has to deal with a Seriet missile left behind in Cuba to threaten the United States after the weapons had all supposedly been removed at the resolution of the 1962

Unlike most spy thrillers "Mongoode RIP" gains from Blackford's lack of success. Little goes right for our hero this time out which opens up vast possibilities for the series. (Walter Goodman, NYT)

ROMANTIC COMEDY IN HOLLYWOOD FROM LUBITSCH TO STURGES By James Harvey. Alfred A. Knopf, 201 East 50th Street, New York, N. Y. 10022.

When he talks about "romantic comedy," James Harvey tells us that what he has in mind is "screwball comedy" — a less appealing term, coined by a movie publicity agent in the 1930s. and a narrower one, too Luckily, however, Harvey allows himself plenty of latitude. There is no need to fret over definitions and there is no problem recognizing his chosen terrain.

"Romantic Comedy" is a book about "The Awful Truth," "My Man Godfrey," "The Lady Eve"; about William Powell and Myma Lby and Carole Lombard and Cary Grant; about the stream of sophisticated entertainments, games of love and chance, that came out of Hollywood in the 1930s and 40s.

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Harvey, who teaches English at the State University at Stony Brook, New York; mist-have exposed himself to more footage of romantic comedy than anyone else who has ever lived. And he is a perceptive writer as well as a thorough one: His analyses of movies, performances and screen personae are thoughtful and usually illuminating. (John Gross, NYT)

BRIDGE

By Alan Truscott

THE American Contract Bridge League recently began to recognize that a slight majority of its membership is over the age of 55. It has there-fore sanctioned events and even tournaments for these players, many of whom prefer the peace and quiet of their own age group to the hurlyburly engendered by the rising stars of the younger generation. This prompted the Greater New York Bridge Association to name, for the first time, a Senior Player of the Year.

The 1987 winner was Marcel Friedmann by a narrow margin over Don Ross, both of Manhattan.
The title was decided last month by the Senior Pairs in the Winter Regional Championships. Friedmann finished in a high position with the help of the diagramed deal on which he sat North. His part-

oer was Fran Rechtschaffen of

Manhattan, who belongs to the contract on mistit hands, and school of thought that favors one club rather than one spade

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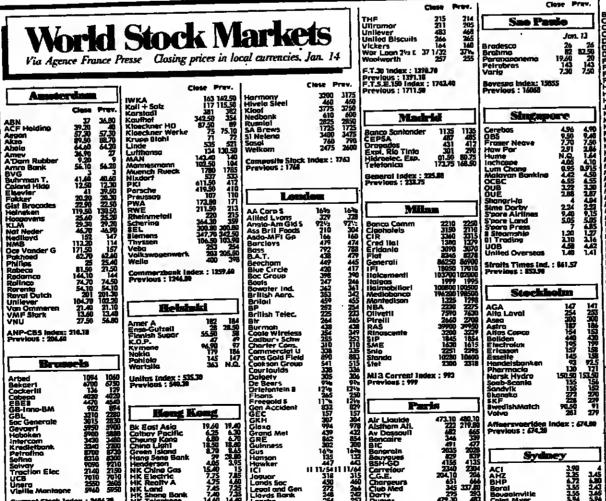
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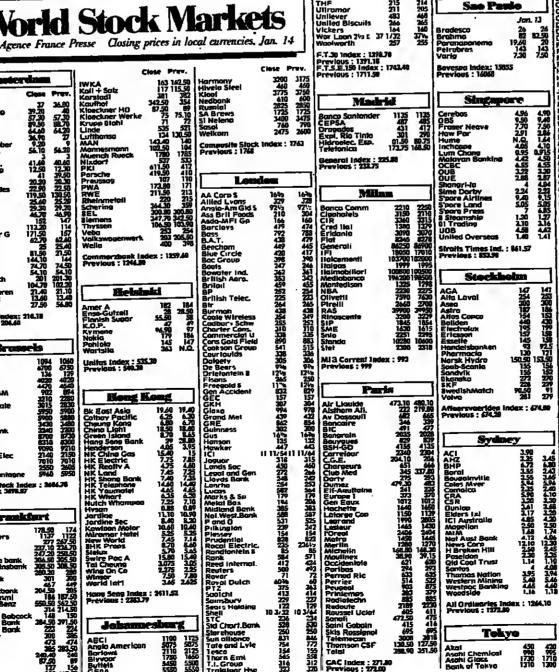
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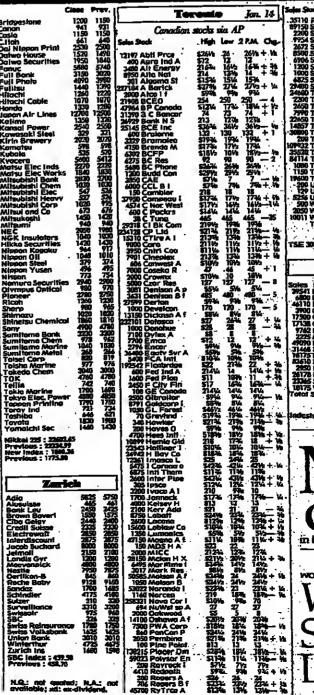
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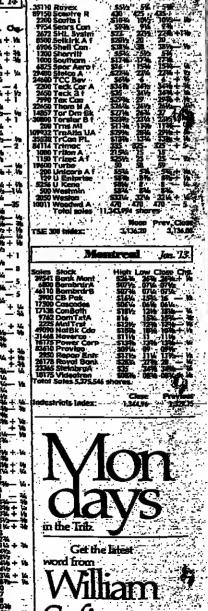
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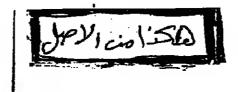
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The decision means that the FA Cup remains, along with Wimbledon the British Open golf tourna-Oment, the only major English sports events without a corporate sponsor

in their names... Ted Croker, the FA secretary. said negotiations with John Courage brewers had been broken off because of a dispute over corporate the three-year, £5 million contract identification. "We were not pre-pared to change the name of the 92-team English Football League

committee was "not happy with the terms and conditions, and decided there was no reason for continuing

the discussions." The four-and-a-half-year deal proposed by Courage would have been the biggest sponsorship in English sports. The richest currently is

The Court Staff From Departures: had warmed up with New Zealand singles titles here, was ousted by LEOURNE -- West German Davis Cupper Chris Lewis, who Magnus Gustafsson of Sweden, 6-3,

Graf in Top Form; Edberg, Wilander Gain

MELBOURNE - West German Davis Cupper Chris Lewis, who Steffi Graf, top-ranked among the was runner-up to John McEnroe in world's women players, dazzled ten the 1983 Wimbledon final. "Steffi nis faus. Thorsday with a power hits the ball as hard as Chris," said game that demnlished Janine Thompson after the 40-minute bar-Thompson and varifted into the rage. I hit the ball well — I'm lit, Open crowns in 1983-84, Last year third round of the Australian Open, but when Stelli got into her power In the day's top men's matches, game I just thought, What the hell econd-seeded Swede Stefan Edberg am I going to do out here? She Lendl of Czechoslovakia, the top seed here. Graf said that, unlike former

Since then, Wilander has rehaped his game, moving away from the baseline and attacking more aggressively. "A baseline game is not enough these days, especially against a guy like Lendl," Wilander said after his 6-4, 6-2, 6-4 decision over Youl. "Three years ago I didn't realize that. Now that my game has changed I don't feel defenseless, particularly against the top guys. Now I can destroy their game by coming in the net. It's a big difference, and it's more fun."

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lander, winner of the Australian stringer to have the tension adjust-Thieves broke into the store Wilander reached the finals of the Wednesday night and stole 20 rack-French and U.S. Opens and the ets. including Edberg's favorites. Masters, but lost all three to Ivan "Sure, I'll miss them," he said. "The grips were specially made for my nd — but I still have eight left."

In another key match, women's No. 4 seed Pam Shriver of the Unit-ed States maintained her confident form in outgunning South African Ros Fairbanks, 7-5, 6-0.

Shriver won the recent Queens-land and New South Wales champi-onships, both played on grass. She has had little time in adjust to the spongy courts here, but she took the pace off the ball Thursday and read the surface well. "I feel good, but I'm having difficulty in adjusting in the bounce," she said after the The Swedes have six players in match. "It's much higher than on this tournament, which they have grass, but I think I can handle it."

Edberg, the defending champion. the third mund by defending beat Mronz, 6-4, 6-3, 6-1, after over-champion and Nn. 5 seed Hana Mandlikova, No. 8 Claudia Gustafsson is scheduled for a rived here with II rackets and gave Kohde-Kilsch, No. 9 Lori McNeil

Catherine Tanvier beat In Durie to earn a meeting with the Czechborn Mandlikova, who recently took out Australian citizenship. Durie's loss left Britain without a player in the last 32 of the men's or (UPI, AP) women's singles.

■ Cash Fined \$10,000

Wimbledon champinn Pat Cash incurred a \$10,000 fine Thursday for an "audible obscenity" penalty during his opening-round match at the Australian Open, United Press International reported Thursday from Melbourne.

Cash, the tournament's fourth seed, had accumulated \$7,050 in fines during the 12 months leading up to the tournament.

The Australian drew the latest penalty Monday for swearing during his match against Thomas Muster. Cash has 21 days in which to Graf and Shriver were joined in



Steffi Graf, during her rout of Janine Thompson: "I just go for my shots. . . . I guess it's just natural,"

French Artistes Have the Leading Roles

By Bob Donahue

and third-seeded companiot Mats never lets up. Steffi's amazing."
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mai Herald Tribune PARIS — Rugby is one of Europe's art forms, like opera or the three-hour lunch. Lately, the French coach, Jacques Fouroux, has even been likening past teams to Loire Valley chateaux. England's current team, which plays the French here Samrday, is being panned at home like an awful movie. It's France vs. England in Paris and Ire-land vs. Scotland in Dublin to start the annual Five Nations serial before a critical house

FIVE NATIONS RUGBY PREVIEW

of millions. "Good match," some will say. Or bloody awful — about as exciting as watching paint dry." Just winning isn't enough.

It helps, of course. If Foureux's 15 heroes win by a mile, the public murmur against him for dropping Denis Charvet will fade. Charvet is international rugby's classiest center. Marc Andrieu is burlier; since France's defeat by New Zealand in the World Cup final last June, Fouroux has been more partial than ever to burliness.

In both opening matches there will probably be more penalty goals than tries, so the two lonely referees will be influential. Players and fans will have the usual trouble abiding by the wonderful old notion, to quote a cricket panjandrum declaiming this week, that "the umpire's decision must be accepted as correct even when manifestly wrong.

Some of this year's buzz-questions: Can. the World Cop's No. 2 team repeat last year's sweep of all four matches? Can any British Isles team win if the French don't beat themselves? When will France finally lose a Five Nations match at home? And who will win the battle among England, Scotland, Ireland, and Wales to finish in fifth place?

Nobody has won consecutive grand slams day after British rugby writers previewed the since England in 1923 and 1924. No captain Paris match on television. "It was doom and ever has. When Daniel Dubroca, France's captain since 1986, talks skeptically about French chances to bring it off, he is entitled to mean it.

But what Dubroca worries about is losing on the road, in Edinburgh or Cardiff (see



Les Cusworth: At 33, still a foxy flyhalf.

Scoreboard for schedule). France hasn't lost a Five Nations match in Paris since 1982. In 11 straight victories at home, French teams have scored 29 tries and allowed 7.

Wales managed 11 consecutive Five Nations victories in Cardiff from 1969 to 1974, when France drew there, and then 15 more. It was Scotland that finally sent Wales crashing at the Arms Park, 34-18, in 1982,

As it happens, the winners (27-15) in Paris in 1982 were Englishmen — who had also won (17-13) in 1980, with Roger Uttley on the team. Uttley is part of the new management of a revamped squad, and the group has a refreshing North of England honesty about it. No fat heads.

-John Burgess, president nf the Rugby Football Union, got mad in London the other gloom," Burgess complained. "I thought I was attending a bloody funeral. All we saw were frozen faces, as if they were going to a gas chamber rather than talking about a rug-by match."

Any of England's players who didn't see that TV show will have heard lots about it

from Uttley & Co. by mid-afternoon Saturday. If I were French, I'd worry about that. Les Cusworth, now 33 and out of international action since 1984, has been brought back at flyhalf for lack of younger talent. He is "playing better than he has ever played in his life," says his coach at Leicester, Peter Wheeler, Cusworth and flanker Peter Winterbottom were on the 1982 team.

At 5-foot-61/4 (1.68 meters), the foxy flyhalf will need spring in his ald legs to survive the hunt. Heights in France's pack of forwards range up to lock Patrick Serrière's 6-foot-71/2, with weights to match. Cusworth will be counting oo quick passes from his scrumhalf, Nigel Melville, another former star trying to make a comeback.

In Dublin, neither team starts the tournament with much confidence. Retirement, injury or poor form have eliminated an unusual number of key players. Scotland is missing John Rutherford, Colin Deans, Iain Milne, John Beattie and Keith Robertson, Ireland's absentees include Phil Orr, Ciaran Fitzgerald, Nigel Carr, Brian Spillane and Hugo MacNeill.

The Scotland-Ireland series is unique for its relative lack of statistical home advantage in the four decades since the war, whether at Murrayfield or at Lansdowne Road in Dublin. With all top players present, Scotland would be the favorite. As it is, it's a match of unknown quantities.

In Paris the unknowns are mental. The French have traditionally done poorly after success, and last year's grand slam plus World Cop final were success writ large. In recent years. France has been at its most vulnerable in its Five Nations opener. But the English, as a new team, will take at least half the match to get things together.

Given the long odds, an English victory would make silk out of a sow's ear of a match. "Not a great game, but what a win!" the Brits would say. And the French would tip their berets, since winning is part of the art form.

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China to Compete In Summer Games

LAUSANNE, Switzerland — China confirmed Thursday that it would compete at the Summer Olympics in Scoul, ignoring North Korea's appeal for a boycott by communist nations unless it is al-

"We received China's official confirmation by mail," said an International Olympic Committee spokes-woman. The Soviet Union earlier this week confirmed that it would compete, following acceptances from other Eastern bloc countries. North Korea has said it would boycott the Games unless it is rec-

ognized as co-host and permitted 10 stage several major events. On Thursday, it announced the formation of a committee to negotiate with South Korea on co-hosting. which Seoul and the IOC have re-

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FA Cup," Croker said. We inve extremely unlikely that the FA Cup will be sponsored."

Porto Wins Cup, Completes Triple
With Jaime Magalhaes, above, typitying a ball-control first half
and Antonio de Sousa scoring in the 70th minute. Porto

registered a I-0 home-field victory over Ajax of Amsterdam

Wednesday night to wat soccer's European Super Cup on 2-0

aggregate. Porto and Juventus are the only teams ever to hold the European Champions' Cup, the World Club Cup and the Super

Cup simultaneously (the Super Cup competition pits the Champions and Cup Winners Cup titlists). Porto completed the

triple despite the losses through trades of star striker Paolo Futre

and, since the first-leg match with Ajax, winger Rabah Madier.

Croker said the FA's executive

Figini, Winner of Downhill, Widens Lead Over Walliser

ZINAL, Switzerland — Michela
Figini won her second downhill of
the World Cup ski season here
Thursday by nearly a second, and
surged ahead in her points race with
surged ahead in her points race with

Canadian Karen Percent Swiss teammate Maria Walliser.

Figini, who will defend her 1984 downhill gold medal next month at Clippers Nip Lakers, Halt Streaks

Compiled by Our Staff From Disparches LOS ANGELES - Quintin Dailey hit the tying basket and set up the crucial score, a driving lay-up by Larry Drew with 23 seconds left in overtime, as the Lns Angeles Clippers stunned the Los Angeles Lakers, 110-109, Wednesday night and halted the National Basket-

ball Association's longest win-ning streak since 1982. The Lakers, who came from 12 points down to tie the game in regulation, had won 15 straight; the 1981-82 Boston Celtics racked up 18 consecutive vic-tories. Having dropped their last eight encounters with the Lak-ers, the Clippers also ended an 11-game skid — the longest in

the league this season.

The Clippers trailed by 106-104 with 1:03 left in overtime before Dailey hit a bank shot that just beat the 24-second clock. Dailey then stole a pass by Magic Johnson and fed Drew, who raced in for his layup. Benoit Benjamin hit two free throws with six seconds to go, and Johnson connected on a 3-pointer at the buzzer. It was the fifth straight game in which the Lakers had fallen

behind by at least nine points in the first half, but the first time their comeback attempt was thwarted. "We've been toying with it, and it caught up to us," said Michael Cooper. "I think we've learned our lesson about getting in ditches. We have to start jumping on teams from the start. "The Clippers deserved it," said Laker Coach Pat Riley.
"But we're 26-7. I think we'll be

(UPI, AP)

WORLD CUP SKIING

Canadian Karen Percy, racing with her broken left thumb held together by wire, stitches and a plaster cast, was second, in 1:56.10,

Figini increased her total at the top of the overall table to 146 points. 44 more than defending cuphnider Walliser, who was fourth (1:56.52) behind Austrian Petra Kronberger's 1:56.39.
The fourth women's downhill of the season - all won by Swiss bad been set here for Friday after

on a course that dropped 690 me-

being switched from snowless Les Diablerets. But officials hurriedly advanced the race after weather reports calling for snow on Friday. The change forced organizers to schedule a final practice run twoand-a-half hours before the event. "My legs were feeling a little tired after we had a training run and a race on the same day," Figini said. "But I guess I had fewer prob-

lowed to co-host the Games.

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The Wall Street Minuet

By Russell Baker N EW YORK — After the stock market's October blowout Wall Street said it was Washington's fault. What caused it, said Wall Street, was President Reagan's femerate was president Reagan's feme gan's famous voodoo economics: spend and spend, and tax not, tax not tax not

Just couldn't do that and get away with it, said Wall Street, putting heavy pressure on Washington for new taxes, whining when Washington took its sweet old time about new taxings. Got to get that mind-blowing deficit down, said Wall Street, and fast.

Washington going about it slow. dragging feet, hating to spring new taxes so soon before elections — that made Wall Street cross. Those cheap politicos, said Wall Street: world's going to the dogs, and they

still won't tax, tax, tax.

After all those sweet-smelling. profit-churning, voodoo-dollar 1980 years of raking in the booty with nary a grumpy old Puritan gripe about deficit finance, those Wall Street guys went suddenly bonkers because Washington shocking! shocking! — was run-ning a deficit.

Washington believed in Wall Street Wall Street was one of the things Reaganism was all about. Anybody who said "Wall Street doesn't know what it's talking about" would have been put out of the Cahinet, the Congress and, worse, off television.

And why not? Didn't they always know on Wall Street? The market went up, they could tell you why in the next edition: "Market rose on strength of new figures issued by War Graves Commission." Market goes down, they're just as quick, "Despite good interest-rate news, falling demand for animated movie cartoons jolted the market severely.

So in Washington hardly anybody said: "How come, if they're so smart, those Wall Street guys weren't all over us for hig, hig taxes long before the market blowout? How come they waited until the day after to share their wisdom?"

Well, it was done, the Wall Street hill of goods bought in D.C., new taxings decreed, though not enough to satisfy Puritan financiers who declared nothing less than moaning

masses of tax-stricken Americans could make the great engine of fi-

nance roar happily again. Washington, you patsy, you con man's mark, you poor sap. You took the tax fall for Wall Street without even saying. "Now wait a minute, first of all I want to know about this program trading."
You don't know what program

trading is, folks? Welcome to the society of the hopelessly haffled. But never mind. The New York Times has people who do know what program trading is, even if they can't exptain it.
The Times account of the study

by a presidential commission assigned to look into causes of the market blowout says program trading was vital to the collapse. Here is a pretty good Times effort to explain program trading, so hold onto your wits and read carefully:

"Portfolio insurance is a computer trading strategy used by institutional investors to protect paper gains or offset losses on stock boldings. When the stock market falls a certain amount - usually 3 percent - managers using the strategy sell a mathematically determined amount of stock index futures to protect against a decline in the value of their clients' stock portfolios.

That, in turn, sets the wheels in motion for stock index arbitrage, in which computers take advantage of tiny discrepancies between the stock index futures — which repre-sent a hasket of stocks — and the stocks themselves. The arbitragers buy the cheaper contracts and sell the stocks that make up the index, which, of course, drives down stock

The electronics machinery made it possible for portfolio insurance managers in October to sell off billions in stocks while small-time investors were struggling to reach their brokers on jammed telephone

Too complicated to be understood so quickly? Never mind. Understanding the mechanics isn't necessary to grasping the point, which is that the hig blowout had comparatively little to do with the federal deficit, inadequate taxes, or voodoo economics. So the tax min-

uet Washington danced to Wall Street's tune was irrelevant. In short? The Wall Street hlowout was not Washington's fault. It was Wall Street's fault.

New York Times Service

The Big Ring Theory of David Hykes

By Mike Zwerin

International Herald Tribune

ARIS — Musical spirituality Linvolves a combination of quality, intensity, acoustics and creative listening. It comes through when performer and listeners resonate together. Something universal must appear to be

David Hykes does not presume that his music is necessarily more spiritual than anybody else's. He believes the term is used promiscuously. "Spirituality is a result, not a starting point," be says. "and it's impossible to define." Hykes hopes to reach our intellectual and physical as well as spiri-tual side. He would like "to discover a son of contemporary

Hykes directs and writes for the a cappella Harmonic Choir, which sings what he calls "harmonic chant." He speaks of a "unified field," meaning the combining of traditional elements (Tibetan and Mongolian Hoomi Tantric chant, Hehrew and Islamic liturgical music, Gregorian chant) with avant-garde uses of intonation. Hykes describes the choir's vocabulary as "the sum total of ways a singer can sing both a fundamental tone and at the same time one or more harmonic over-

The harmonic, or overtone, series is to sound what the color spectrum is to light. Strike a bass note on the piano and you will hear the sympathetic vibrations it generates. Each root has its own harmonic series above it. Harmonics are the genetic material of all musical sound. To sing more than one note at a time, the

body must act as a resonating chamber. It starts in the abdomen. From the throat up is a room which you change the size and shape of with your tongue and mouth. After learning to growl a fundamental pitch while sustaining a harmonic, you learn to sustain two. They can be moved individually or in parallel. One can be held while the others move. The fundamental can go down as the harmonics go up or the reverse. The fundamental resembles a bass saxophooe, the barmonic a flute or a whistle. All of this exists in a twilight dimen-

sion beyood mere in tuneness. When John Coltrane "split"

notes, he was exploiting harmonics. When Jimi Hendrix fed the sound source, his guitar, back into itself as it came out through the amplifier, the (electronically dis-torted) overtones screamed. When an operatic contralto breaks a wine glass, it's the har-monies at work. Hykes believes that "no music has the same inlensity as the human voice.

He grew up in Taos, New Mexico, and he now realizes that the overtones of the traditional songs sung to him by his Pueblo nurse had something basic to do with the direction his life was to take. In Antioch College, Ohio, he played drums in a student band directed by a visiting professor, Cecil Taylor, in New York he made experimental films. Searching for an electronically treated "refracted" or "prismatic" sound for his "Moving Paris," screened at the Whitney Museum in 1974, he was led to the Tantric singing of the Tibetan Gyuto monks and Dalai Lama's Gyume monks. He listened to what few records there were and started to learn

A "wonderful elderly Mongo-lian" named Gombojab Hangin. who teaches at the University of Indiana, arranged for Hykes to accompany him on a trip to Mon-golia, ostensibly to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the People's Republic. Between "an endless round of celebratory socialist speeches and factory visits," Hykes learned more about the ancient Tantric singing tradition.

"It is said to have originated near a sacred waterfall in western Mongolia where the geographical resonance of the space produces harmonics. The monks say that this is where mother nature chose to teach mankind about these laws. The Mongolian origins inspired the Tibetans who developed the technique after the 15th century

The 34-year-old Hykes is an unpretentious, communicative and worldly man who can speak about good jazz and rock (and good wines) as well as basic musical laws. But he is refuctant to speak of his pilgrimage. "I came to Paris in 1986 because I have had a long-standing interest in the teachings of G.I. Gurdjiell and Paris is a major center for the Fund for the Promotion of Culfollowers of his ideas. But I feel it ture. The society's hrochure ex-



Hykes, discovering "a sort of contemporary sacred music."

people, it would make me seem derstand how the timeless values

Peter Brook's film about Gurdjieff, "Meetings With Remark-able Men," to be his "most important musical experience." He and the choir continue to be artists-inresidence (since 1979) at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York, although he now spends roughly half the year studying, teaching, composing and performing in Paris, His nonprofit Harmonic Arts Society has received funding from, among others, the U.S. National Endowment for the Arts, the Asian Cultural Council and the UNESCO

of sacred and traditional music He considers his soundtrack for can come to life in a contempo-

rary framework." The Harmonic Choir is sometimes associated with a contemporary category the industry calls
"New Age" music (also called "metaphysical Muzak"). Hykes objects. Will Ackerman, the guitarist and founder of Windham Hill records, the central label to this acoustical music phenomenon, in an article titled "Separating Music From Hype" in Frets magazine, wrote: "To be regarded as one of the progenitors of New Age music is a little like being joined at the waist to a Siamese twin with had breath." Yet Windham Hill recently reis out my place to talk about these plains that it is "searching to un- leased an album called: "The the Big Ring."

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Hykes is resigned to rejecting categorization. Newsweck listed his choir's first album, "Hearing Solar Winds," as one of the best classical albums of 1982, The New York Times made it a "pop pick" (it has sold over 60,000 copies). "I hate the term 'New Age," he says. "It implies passivity on the part of the listener. What we understand as listening is really a limited perception. We tend to listen through a filter we say, 'Oh, this is classical music' or 'This is jazz.' Then we turn the switch off. You have to listen, not think about listening. It should reveal something universal. Harmonic Music is hased on a princiole that is constant everywhere. The overtone series is a universa truth free of stylistic or cultural

The members of the choir include an architect, a medical writer, a painter, an ethnomusicologist and the composer Carter Burwell, who has scored music for "Arizona Junior" and other films. They have in common an interest in making spiritual music - and the ability to sing more than one note at the

"For the monks, the presence of harmonics is a sign that they are resonating spiritually, that the angels are singing with them," says Hykes, who prefers to perform and record in places like the church of the 12th-century Abbaye du Thoronet in Provence,

amplifying the overtones.
"It's not about technical wizardry. There's already too much of that in today's music. However, I have nothing against technology in principle. I use synthesizers that can store up to 40 different tunings in their memory to help me when I compose. I compose all the music the choir sings, although each singer has space to improvise. The significance of the harmonic series as both a source and an aesthetic standard for composition lies in its organic lawfulness and proportion. The harmonic series is even implicated in cosmologist David Bohm's the ories as the ordering principle in the vast harmonizing of energies that lead to the Big Bang, which might more accurately be called

PEOPLE

Madonna Statue Lives, But Not in Italy

Plans to erect a statue of the singer Madouna in the village her line grandparents left in the 1920s have been canceled. The president of the Naples-based "Friends of Show Business" said at a press conference that work would be completed on the statue, which depicts Madonna in a dance pose wearing a bikini. The four-meter-high (13-foot) likeness will not be erected in the village of Pacentro in the Abruzzi mountains of central Italy, Gianni Volpe said, "but we're going to complete the statue and take it round the world." Madonna has never visited Pacentro.

The National Gallery of Art in Washington says Melina Mercount, the Greek minister of culture, will, attend the opening on Jan. 26 of a five-city traveling exhibition of ancient Greek art. The show, "The Human Figure in Aucient Greek Art," will be seen in Washington; Kansas Ciry, Missouri; Los Angeles, Chicago and Boston over the next 20 months.

Three British newspapers said Thursday that Prince Andrew's wife, Sarah, is expecting the cou-ple's first child. Buckingham Palace would neither deny nor confirm the report.

The French choreographer Maurice Béjart canceled two perforrice Béjart canceled two performances in Lausanne after a disappointing opening night for his
ballet "Malraux — Metamorphosis
of the Gods," when spectators
booed and said they could not see.
Béjart, who moved his troupe from Brussels to Switzerland last year, offered refunds and had the seats in the vast hall of the Palais de Beaulieu theater raised to help solve the problem. Although the performance received a standing ovation at the end, Bejart said in a statement Thursday that he had can-celed the remaining shows out of respect to the public. The hall was not sufficiently transformed for ballet performances, he said,

Novy Mir, the Soviet literary monthly, has begun publishing in-stallments of Boris Pasternak's "Doctor Zhivago," which had been banned since its publication if 1958 helped win its author the Nobel Prize for literature.

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